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## WORLD AFFAIRS

### INDO-CHINA

#### Reds Slice Country in 2

##### Drive to Thailand Border

Communist Viet Minh rebels cut Indo-China in 2 in a 5-day drive which took them across the waist of the Indo-Chinese kingdom of Laos. Their offensive brought the Reds to the Mekong River, the frontier of Thailand.

The attack severed Indo-China at its narrowest point—where the Thailand border bulges to within 100 miles of the Viet Name coast on the Gulf of Tonkin.

##### Effect Called 'Exaggerated'

U.S. State Secy. John Foster Dulles told reporters Dec. 29 that the U.S. press had "exaggerated" the "military significance" of Red gains. He noted that "normal movement" in the area was by sea, that there had been no north-south movement in the Communist-infiltrated interior "for a long time." He saw "no reason . . . for anybody to get panicky." He said he "never thought there was much

sincerity" in Viet Minh leader Ho Chi Minh's "peace feelers." Dulles renewed an implied warning to Communist China not to intervene. He said Red Chinese intervention in Indo-China could produce U.S. reaction "not necessarily confined to the particular area which the Communists chose to make the theater of their new aggression."

The French also minimized the importance of the attack and denied that it had been a surprise. Gen. Henri-Eugene Navarre, commander-in-chief in Indo-China, said in a Christmas message in the French Expeditionary Corps' *Caravelle* that the Viet Minh was mounting widely-scattered offensives because it had given up hope of victory in the Tonkin delta—the only sector, Navarre declared, where a Communist victory could be decisive.

Prince Souvanna Phouma, Laotian premier, said Dec. 25 that the Viet Minh, by renewing "its odious aggression" against Laos just after the kingdom had received "complete independence," again had displayed its imperialistic aims. Laotian Forgn. Affairs Min. Nhouy Abbay resigned

Dec. 29 in protest against French failure to keep him informed about the Communist attack.

##### Thais Act

Thailand Dec. 25 declared a state of emergency in 9 provinces adjoining Indo-China & Burma and rushed reinforcements to the Mekong. U.S. Sen. H. Alexander Smith (R., N.J.) said Dec. 27 that the Viet

### Week in Headlines

#### International

Indo-China Red drive cut country in half.

U.S. announced withdrawal of 2 divisions from Korea.

Russia asked postponement of Big 4 Forgn. Min. conference.

Christmas Eve train wrecks took heavy tolls in Czechoslovakia, New Zealand; 532 died in U.S. holiday traffic mishaps.

#### United States

Eisenhower ordered defense contract priority for areas with most jobless; Admin. spokesmen denied a recession had set in.

Rep. Curtis proposed new old-age pension plan.

Old ILA led disputed dock union vote in New York.

Died: showman Lee Shubert.

Minh would not "dare" attack Thailand. He called the Red offensive "not very serious" and said it might show up the rebels as "bluffers." Meantime Laotian & some Viet Name civilian refugees began streaming into Thailand.

##### Drive Followed Delta Failure

The Viet Minh attack was made by about 6 battalions originally assembled for a Tonkin delta offensive which the French had forestalled in October.<sup>3</sup> The rebel radio called the campaign a drive to liberate Laos. It credited the leadership to Prince Souvanna Vong, head of a puppet Laotian Govt. set up by the Viet Minh at Vinh, on the coast of Viet Nam (northern Annam).

The attacking units struck across the Viet Name-Lao border Dec. 21-22. Advance guards Dec. 22 seized a Laotian post from a French & Laotian company near Naphao, just across the frontier, but made no attempt to hold it. They completed a virtually unopposed march across the Annamite mountains by reaching the Mekong in the vicinity of Thakhek Dec. 26. (Arrow on map).

##### French Abandon Thakhek

French residents of Thakhek had been ordered 200 miles south to Savannakhet as the Communists approached, and the French-Laotian garrison of Thakhek quit the town the night of Dec. 25-26 after destroying installations. There was no indication that the Viet Minh had established a garrison in Thakhek. Viet Minh

FOOTNOTES—see next page.

**REBELS' MARCH** from coast to Thakhek, where Mekong River forms Laos-Thailand border, is indicated by arrow on map. French abandoned Thakhek, moved to Savannakhet (A). Seno airfield near Savannakhet had been strengthened by French during past 6 months in apparent anticipation of rebel offensive. Communists' drive put them in position for attacking either Savannakhet-Seno area in south or Vientiane-Luangprabang area northwest (B). French sent column from Luangprabang to link up with new French stronghold of Dienbienphu (C) in north. (Wide World map)



## Dulles: Reds on Defensive

After chasing Russia "across the map of Europe & Asia" in efforts "to get its rulers to negotiate," the West now had forced Soviet leaders onto the defensive in world diplomacy, U.S. State Secy. John Foster Dulles asserted Dec. 26. He said in a year-end statement that the Russians were afraid to "admit the possibility of greater liberty for anyone now living behind the Iron Curtain" lest "restiveness" increase "everywhere in their . . . captive states."<sup>1</sup>

columns probed south of Thakhek toward Savannakhet & toward the Seno airfield Dec. 28 but were halted by heavy French air attacks Dec. 28-29. French planes strafed & bombed Viet Minh concentrations north of Thakhek.

The Viet Minh had mounted a Laotian campaign in April but abandoned it when rebel troops bogged down in heavy rains in May while still some 30 miles from the Mekong. The current attack was the first in the 8-yr.-old civil war in which the Communists reached the Laotian-Thailand border on the Mekong.<sup>5</sup>

### Other War Developments

The French announced Dec. 26 that French-Laotian units had advanced from Luangprabang in northern Laos, through the Namhou valley, to link up with French forces in the stronghold of Dienbienphu, previously surrounded by Viet Minh rebels.<sup>6</sup> Big Red supply convoys had been spotted heading toward Dienbienphu and had been under constant French air attack.

The French also reported success in a mop-up campaign in the Tonkin delta north of Thabinh which had been started Dec. 13.

(French Defense Min. René Plevin said Dec. 28 that the Govt. planned to cut French forces in Indo-China from 180,000 to 165,000 but to increase overall strength of the French military establishment from 606,000 in 1953 to 617,000 in 1954.)<sup>7</sup>

## KOREA

### U.S. to Recall 2 Divisions

Pres. Eisenhower announced Dec. 26 that he had ordered U.S. "ground forces in Korea [to] be progressively reduced as circumstances warrant." He said "2 Army divisions will soon be withdrawn and returned" to the U.S. "as an initial step."

The President warned, however, that the withdrawal "does not impair our readiness & capacity to react in a way which should deter aggression and, if aggression should nevertheless occur, to oppose it with even greater effect than heretofore." He cited the statement of UN members that fought in Korea that if the Korean armistice were broken, it probably "would not be possible to confine hostilities within . . . Korea."<sup>8</sup>

Gen. Eisenhower gave 4 reasons for withdrawing troops: (1) "We do not need as much ground strength . . . as when there was fighting"; (2) "the capability" of ROK forces was "substantially built up";<sup>9</sup> (3) "our growing national airpower possesses greater mobility & greater striking force than ever before"; (4) "our broad policy [is] to make evident to all [that we] have no aggressive intentions and [seek] ways to reduce the burdens of armament & to promote . . . peace."<sup>10</sup>

Gen. Eisenhower withheld his announcement until South Korean Pres. Syngman Rhee was informed of his decision by Asst. State Secy. Walter Robertson & Adm. Arthur W. Radford, Joint Chiefs of Staff chairman, who were touring the Far East. But the plan was criticized Dec. 28 by ROK Premier Paik Too Chin & Forgn. Min. Pyun Yung Tai. Pyun said it would be wiser to add 2 divisions.<sup>11</sup>

U.S. State Secy. Dulles stressed in a press conference Dec. 29 that the withdrawal meant no intention to bypass U.S. commitments to combat aggression in Asia. It gave the U.S. "greater mobility & choice" in making Asian decisions by reducing the number of U.S. troops "pinned down" on the mainland, he declared. He said the withdrawal would decrease U.S. ground strength in Korea by the amount added shortly before the armistice when the U.S. was trying to make the Communists anxious for a truce.

### POW Fate Up to Commands

The Neutral Nations Repatriation Comm. asked the UN & Communist commands in a majority report Dec. 28 to decide how to dispose of some 22,569 war prisoners still unrepatriated after "explanations" ended as scheduled Dec. 23.<sup>12</sup>

The majority report, adopted by the NNRC's Indian, Polish & Czech members Dec. 24, charged that "anti-Communist" POWs in all 55 compounds were controlled by a secret ROK hq. in Seoul whose agents allegedly coerced captives who wanted to return to communism. It reported no similar control in the "pro-Red" compound. ROK Forgn. Min. Pyun denounced the majority findings as "pro-Communist" Dec. 29 and said South Korea knew "India would take the Communist side on any important issue."

A minority report, adopted by the commission's Swiss & Swedish members Dec. 24 and delivered to the commands Dec. 28, exonerated the Allies and blamed Red delaying tactics for the breakdown of POW talks.<sup>13</sup>

The majority report noted that disposition of prisoners who rejected repatriation had been scheduled by the armistice agreement to be decided by a Korean political (peace) conference which "has not materialized." The commission therefore put the whole matter up to the 2 commands.<sup>14</sup>

### New POW Talks Barred

The NNRC rejected by a 3-2 decision Dec. 23 a Red demand that prisoner interview sessions continue.<sup>15</sup>

India, Switzerland & Sweden opposed Poland & Czechoslovakia in the vote.

11 of 250 Chinese & one of 42 Koreans were repatriated on the final day of Red explanations Dec. 23. The Communists interviewed a total of 3,173 POWs in 10 scattered days and persuaded only 138 to return to communism.<sup>16</sup> But none of 250 Koreans interviewed by Allied explainers accepted repatriation. A total of 333 former UN-held & 8 Red-held captives accepted repatriation with or without explanations through Dec. 23. 22,219 Communist & 350 Allied prisoners remained in neutral custody Dec. 24.

Indian custodial troops began checking registration of Communist POWs Dec. 31, and 135 of the first 4,885 checked requested & were granted repatriation. The Indians denied that "screening" was taking place, but each prisoner appeared individually before the neutral guards and was given a perfect opportunity to announce a free choice.<sup>16</sup>

### Rhee Pledges Unity Fight

ROK Pres. Rhee pledged in separate New Year's messages to the people of North & South Korea Dec. 29 that his Govt. would unify Korea "just as soon as we possibly can." He called on his allies to "rise with us . . . for the last great battle to annihilate the Red forces." "As long as Chinese Communists are on Korean soil, there can be no successful [peace] conference & no peace" for Korea, he warned.<sup>17</sup>

Rhee labeled as "final" the failure to arrange a peace conference and said such a parley was "foredoomed to be fruitless" anyway. He declared that the preliminary talks showed that "Communists never can be persuaded by words, no matter how rational & justifiable." He predicted an early revolt in Communist China.

### Other Views

Kenneth Young, current head of the Allied team seeking to arrange a Korean conference, agreed in Seoul Dec. 30 that "the Communists have given every indication that they do not want a . . . conference."<sup>18</sup> (The Swiss Govt. announced Dec. 23 that it would not ac-



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cept an invitation to a Korean conference, even as an observer.)

Mme. Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit, UN Gen. Assembly president, said in New Delhi Dec. 26 that she "saw no reason so far" to recall the Assembly to consider the Korean question, as proposed by her brother, Indian Prime Min. Jawaharlal Nehru.<sup>1</sup>

### Korea Roundup

Civilian refugees who want to cross the demilitarized zone between North & South Korea will be exchanged Mar. 1, 1954 in Panmunjom, the 2 commands agreed Dec. 29. . . . **Francis Cardinal Spellman** of New York arrived in Korea Dec. 23 for his 3d consecutive Christmas with the troops.<sup>2</sup> . . . **Terry Moore**, actress touring Korea with a USO troupe, was reported Dec. 26 to have been ordered out of Korea for stripping down to an ermine bathing suit during a Christmas Eve show. She said Dec. 27 that she had been permitted to continue her tour but barred from repeating the act.

U.S. Rep. **Charles D. Brownson** (R., Ind.) charged Dec. 20 that on ROK Pres. Rhee's insistence, the Banto Hotel in Seoul was being turned into a "luxury hotel" at a cost of \$2 million plus free UN engineering aid. He said it held up essential construction. ROK Premier Paik said Dec. 21 that his Govt. planned to spend only about \$50,000 to repair the hotel. . . . **Congressional Medal of Honor** awards to Navy hospital corpsmen: **William R. Charette**, 21, of Ludington, Mich. for heroism with a Marine unit Mar. 27, announced Dec. 19; **Francis Colton Hammond** (posthumous) for heroism with a Marine unit Mar. 26-27, announced Dec. 28.<sup>3</sup> . . . **Shin Hyung Shik**, ex-Liberal Party provincial leader, got a 7-yr. jail sentence in Seoul Dec. 28 on charges of exhorting South Koreans to accept communism. . . . North Korean officials ousted by Parliament Dec. 24: **Hong Ki Jwu** as vice pres. of the Standing Com.; **Kim Tal Hyun** as vice chrmn. of the Korean People's Assembly.<sup>4</sup>

### OTHER WORLD NEWS

#### Pope Urges Europe Union

Pope Pius XII urged in his Christmas broadcast to the world Dec. 24 that Christian statesmen of Europe work for a "continental union" to secure peace & raise living standards. "Why continue to hesitate?" he asked. "The end is clear; the needs of nations are obvious to all."<sup>5</sup>

(Results reported Dec. 28 of a poll of French daily newspapers on the European Defense Community plan: 47% regarded the EDC as "acceptable," 19% as "good," 29% as "bad"; 53% saw more advantages than disadvantages in German rearmament).<sup>6</sup>

#### Russia Seeks Talk Delay

Russia asked Dec. 26 that the Big 4 Foreign Ministers talks in Berlin start on or after Jan. 25. A Soviet reply to the West's Dec. 8 note, which had suggested Jan. 4 as the meeting date, said more time was needed for "appropriate preparation" and "as-

suring the proper conditions for participation in this conference for all Govts." The U.S. State Dept. said it did not view the postponement as a Soviet effort to prevent a meeting.

Russia also suggested that the conference site be chosen by "agreement among the representatives of the High Commissioners of the 4 powers in Berlin." The West had proposed that the talks be held in the Allied Control building (U.S. sector).<sup>7</sup>

West German Chancellor **Konrad Adenauer**\* expressed confidence Dec. 27 that the talks would take place as planned and would result in the reunification of Germany.<sup>8</sup>

#### U.S. to Push Atom Plan

U.S. State Secy. **John Foster Dulles** said Dec. 29 the U.S. would try to begin talks with Russia immediately on Pres. Eisenhower's plan for a pool of atomic energy resources. Dulles said he had intended to discuss the matter informally with Soviet Forgn. Min. **Molotov** in Berlin next week had the Forgn. Ministers meeting begun then.

(**David Lilienthal**, ex-chairman of the U.S. Atomic Energy Comm., urged the U.S. Govt. Dec. 26 not to wait for Soviet participation before putting the Eisenhower plan into effect. He said: the atomic pool could become "a going enterprise" in 6 or 8 months, even while Soviet participation was being worked out; conditions attached to Soviet agreement "unhappily have a most familiar sound" and delay might result in "death by negotiation" for the plan.)

Moscow *Pravda* charged Dec. 26 that Dulles had "distorted" Russia's reply on the Eisenhower plan. *Pravda* said Dulles stressed Russia's "old position [insistence on ban on atomic weapons] and skipped the "new" Soviet proposal for a convention similar to the 1925 Geneva convention against gas & germ warfare.<sup>9</sup>

#### U.S. Keeps Okinawa

The U.S. returned the war-seized **Amami Oshima** group of the Ryukyu Islands to Japan Dec. 24. But State Secy. Dulles announced that the U.S. intended to hold Okinawa, Iwo Jima, the Bonins & all other remaining Ryukyus "for the foreseeable future." He called their retention by the U.S. "essential to the success of the co-operative effort of the free nations . . . so long as conditions of threat & tension exist in the Far East."

The Amamis, first war-lost territory restored to Japan, resumed their former status as part of Kyushu's Kagoshima Prefecture.

(The Natl. Chinese Assembly on Formosa adopted Dec. 25 a resolution protesting the transfer and suggesting that it would have been better to make the islands independent).<sup>10</sup>

#### Russia Frees 2 Americans

U.S. Army Pvt. **Homer H. Cox**, 33, of Tulsa, Okla. & merchant seaman **Leland H. Towers**, 29, of San Francisco were released by the Russians in Berlin Dec. 29 after imprisonment in the USSR. Cox, a military policeman in West Berlin, disappeared Sept. 22,

1949 and later was charged with desertion. He said Dec. 31 he was drugged in a bar, taken to East Berlin, tortured by Russians who tried to make him confess to espionage, sabotage & the murder of a Soviet officer. Towers said he was an "adventurous" ex-Communist who, denied a visa to visit the USSR, got across the Russo-Finnish border Oct. 10, 1951 only to be seized as a border violator.

Cox & Towers apparently were freed under a recent Soviet amnesty for lesser offenders. Cox said he spent 11 months in a forced labor camp in the Vorkuta coal fields (northern Urals) where prisoners received extremely brutal treatment. He said he knew of 10 Americans and several Britons, Canadians & Frenchmen still in Russian custody.<sup>11</sup>

#### Other Prisoners

A German Red Cross official said Dec. 29, on the basis of interviews with ex-POWs, that most of the 1,270,000 German soldiers captured by Russia during World War II were "no longer alive." He estimated that 133,000 were still in the USSR.<sup>12</sup>

**Brigitte Gerland**, German journalist who returned to West Berlin from a Siberian labor camp Dec. 28, reported Dec. 30: Soviet firing squads executed 150 leaders of a strike by forced laborers in Siberian coal mines, 80% of 50,000 prisoners working in the mines were Ukrainian.<sup>13</sup>

(The British Foreign Office revealed Dec. 30 that it had asked Russia last Nov. 6 to permit 3 Soviet wives of British citizens to join their husbands in Britain & Canada. The appeal was made in behalf of Mrs. **Lola Burke**, Mrs. **Nadia Bolton** & Mrs. **Rosa Henderson**, who reportedly were sent to Siberia when they refused Soviet police demands that they get divorces).<sup>14</sup>

Israel & Jordan let Christian pilgrims cross Palestine armistice lines to worship Dec. 24 at Bethlehem in Jordanian territory.<sup>15</sup> . . . UN Security Council adjourned Dec. 29 until early in 1954 without voting on a Western compromise resolution on the Syrian-Israeli dispute over development of the Jordan River. The U.S., Britain & France had proposed Dec. 16 that the issue be referred back to Palestine Truce Chief Gen. **Vagn Bennike** who, with the aid of technical experts, would investigate the situation and recommend a compromise solution within 90 days. Syria opposed the plan and Russia indicated it would veto key provisions if a vote were taken.<sup>16</sup> . . . Egypt & Britain resumed informal talks on control of the Suez Canal Dec. 30 in Cairo after a 10-week suspension.<sup>17</sup>

Christmas greetings were broadcast abroad Dec. 25 by Moscow radio,

\*Adenauer's nomination as "Man of the Year" in 1953 in the Jan. 4 issue of Time was disclosed Dec. 30. Time's reason: "No longer the passive object of other forces, Germany in 1953 was again one of history's makers." 1—see pp. 462D2, 411G2 2—Vol. XII, 410D-E 3—p. 419C2 4—426G3 5—Vol. XII, 307F 6—427C1 7—410B3 8—419D3 9—425B1 10—264C3 11—361G3 12—404B2 13—404E1 14—187C 15—Vol. XII, 415F-G 16—383F1 17—358B1

which said there were brighter prospects for peace than at any time "in the past few years." "Certain governments of the West have been forced to pay heed to the popular demand that the spirit of negotiation prevail over decisions based on force," Moscow said. Soviet newscasts Dec. 25 featured reports of large attendance at Christmas religious services in the USSR & East European satellite countries.<sup>1</sup> . . . East German Communists encouraged non-religious observance of Christmas to "hail the achievements" of the "new course" policies adopted in East Germany last summer. Bishop Otto Dibelius of the German Evangelical church was

barred from holding Christmas Eve rites in Stalinstadt (Communist-built East German city having no churches). He conducted services at restaurants in a nearby town.<sup>2</sup>

Intl. Civil Aviation Org. was notified Dec. 22 that the U.S. might remain in the North Atlantic weather ship program if the other 13 nations involved agreed to a cut in U.S. contributions. The U.S. had announced Oct. 22 it would withdraw from the program because the "substantial cost" could "no longer be justified." Annual U.S. contributions: 14 of 25 ships used, nearly \$13 million of the \$17.5 million total cost.<sup>3</sup>

## NATIONAL AFFAIRS

### THE PRESIDENT

#### Aids Jobless Areas

Pres. Eisenhower & his chief advisers mapped plans to keep U.S. economy on an even keel as 1953 ended amid predictions that the nation was heading toward a decline, a slump or an "orthodox recession."

In a move to help economically-depressed areas in the Northeast & Midwest, the President Dec. 29 told the Defense Dept., Atomic Energy Comm. & Gen. Services Admin. to have procurement officials follow directives issued Dec. 4 by the Office of Defense Mobilization. These set aside 20%-30% of defense orders for "surplus labor" areas under certain conditions and gave tax relief to new defense plants in such areas. White House Press Secy. James C. Hagerty said the program was not ordered in the belief that any recession was in the making. In general, it carried on Truman Admin. policies.

The President's memorandum stirred up a storm of protest in the South, where it was interpreted as an order to shift defense work from Southern textile mills to Northern ones. Senate Majority Leader William F. Knowland (Calif.) criticized the program Dec. 30 as "too wide" and assured the South that he would try to correct "abuses." Hagerty, expressing surprise at the criticism, pointed out that only a fraction of defense work would go to depressed areas and that such areas would not get price differentials but would have to meet "the low competitive bid."<sup>4</sup>

#### Economic Outlook in Dispute

Sen. Paul H. Douglas (D., Ill.) charged Dec. 23 that a "real recession" was under way. His view received a varying degree of support from many Democrats, but Republicans generally rejected it as an attempt to build up an election issue.

Douglas, Leon H. Keyserling & Dr. Gabriel Hauge, the President's economic aide, debated the situation at a radio-TV broadcast in Washington Dec. 27 at the opening of meetings of the American Statistical Assn., American Economic Assn. & 11 allied economic organizations. Predictions as to the U.S. economic future and criticisms & defenses of Eisenhower Ad-

min. policies were aired at the meetings, which ended Dec. 30.

Hauge disclosed that Gen. Eisenhower was working on tax revisions designed to create jobs by stimulating incentive to invest. Douglas cited figures showing current weekly auto output off 12% compared with last year, mail order sales off 16% and carloadings 12%, steel operating rates down from 103% of capacity to 67% and business failures up 50%.

A poll of economists at the meetings disclosed Dec. 28 that most believed the U.S. on the brink of an "orthodox recession," not just a "readjustment." They thought 1954's gross national product would be 5% under the anticipated \$265 billion level of 1953's final quarter.

(U.S. pessimism was discounted by Canadian Trade Min. Clarence D. Howe, who said in his annual report Dec. 29 that there was "a significant absence [in the U.S. & elsewhere] of conditions normally characteristic of a pre-recession boom.")

Among views presented at the meetings: W. Randolph Burgess, manager of the public debt, Dec. 29—"The Eisenhower Admin. was seeking to keep the business cycle in control, to keep the economy from "going too fast" either up or down. . . . Prof. Sumner H. Slichter of Harvard Dec. 29—"If the U. S. wanted to avoid continually rising prices, employers would have to "do a better job of bargaining" because wage agreements had been causing "a slow advance in our price levels." . . . Prof. Seymour E. Harris of Harvard Dec. 30—"In a dynamic economy, "some regions are bound to grow more rapidly than others" and "to capture some of the industries of the older regions"; "government &, to a lesser extent, trade unions [through procurement & bargaining practices], have made the adjustments much more difficult than they need be."

Labor Secy. James P. Mitchell conceded Dec. 27 that "adjustments" were in process but insisted that the outlook for 1954 was good. He credited Eisenhower policy for a decrease in walkouts which reduced the strike-caused loss of man-days from 59,100,000 in 1952 to 26 million in 1953.<sup>5</sup>

AFL Pres. George Meany, however, predicted in a New Year's statement Dec. 29 that 1954 would find a "rising tide" of unemployment.

An AP survey Dec. 30 indicated that 53,000 workers were laid off recently or faced early lay-offs.<sup>6</sup>

#### Christmas Observance

Pres. Eisenhower lit the Christmas tree on the White House lawn in a radio-TV ceremony on Christmas Eve Dec. 24. He asked fellow Americans to join him in a prayer for peace. The

President flew to his vacation retreat at the Augusta (Ga.) Natl. Golf Club to start a 10-day working holiday Dec. 25.<sup>7</sup>

#### Curbs Oat Imports

Pres. Eisenhower Dec. 27 signed an executive order limiting oat imports in an effort to halt falling farm prices. The measure put a 2½ million-bu. ceiling on oat imports from all countries except Canada until Sept. 30, 1954. It was aimed chiefly at Argentina, which had an oat surplus and expected to send the U.S. more than 3 million bu. by July.<sup>8</sup>

#### CIO Man Rejects FOA Job

Stanley H. Rutenberg, CIO research & education director, rejected Dec. 30 a Presidential appointment to the Intl. Development Advisory Board (advises Forgn. Operations Dir. Harold E. Stassen on Point 4 aid). Rutenberg refused because of Stassen's "decimation" of the FOA's labor functions and because the vacancy was caused by the President's decision not to reappoint Jacob S. Potofsky, CIO Amalgamated Clothing Workers pres.<sup>9</sup>

### GENERAL

#### Curtis Offers Pension Plan

Chrmn. Carl T. Curtis (R., Neb.) of the House Ways & Means Subcom. on Social Security proposed Dec. 26 & 29 revisions of the social security, old-age & dependent children's assistance programs to:

(1) Make everybody over 65 immediately eligible for federal pensions of at least \$45 a month regardless of need or whether contributions to the social security fund had been made on his behalf; (2) require everybody under 65 to pay social security taxes regardless of source of income; (3) permit pensioners to earn up to \$1,000 a year without forfeiting their pensions; (4) end federal contributions to state aid programs for the aged; (5) discard the "insurance" principle, which Curtis considered a fiction, but maintain the trust fund.<sup>10</sup>

#### 'Old' ILA Leads N.Y. Vote

The old Intl. Longshoremen's Assn., ousted from the AFL as crime-ridden, led the AFL's new dock union by a 9,060-7,568 vote in NLRB elections Dec. 22-23 for control of the New York waterfront. The actual outcome remained in doubt pending disposition of 4,397 disputed ballots.

The 2d day of voting was marked by clashes in which 3 pro-AFL seamen were stabbed. N.Y. Gov. Thomas E. Dewey intervened Dec. 27 by asking city, state & Waterfront Comm. officials to report to him the "facts" of charges that a free election was prevented by "violence & corruption." The old ILA, viewing this as a move to delay or prevent its certification, refused Dec. 28 to supply information for Dewey's probe.

As a prelude to the voting, Pres. John L. Lewis, 73, of the United Mine

1—see p. 66B 2—370G3 3—354B3 4—414B3, 289F2 5—423C1, 250B1 6—387G1, 250A1 7—428C1 8—421E2 9—441E1 10—443D2

Workers threw his support to the old ILA Dec. 21. Meeting in Washington with Capt. William V. Bradley, ILA president, Lewis gave the union a \$50,000 UMW loan and promised more aid if needed. Bradley said he favored the union's affiliation with the UMW but denied making any pledge.<sup>1</sup>

The Waterfront Comm. disclosed Dec. 28 that 100 of 28,836 longshoremen who registered had been barred from working on N. Y.-N. J. docks because of criminal records or a belief by the commission that their presence on the piers would jeopardize public welfare. The commission also rejected 17 of 643 hiring agents, 10 of 104 pier superintendents, 20 of 2,526 watchmen. Albert Ackillitis, ex-convict considered the "czar" of Pier 32, was barred Dec. 23.<sup>2</sup>

Public loaders Saro Mogavero, 39, ex-vice pres. of ILA Local 856, & Louis Gaccione, 42, were given jail sentences of 3 1/2-7 & 2 1/2-5 yrs., respectively, in New York Dec. 14 on pleas of guilty to charges of extorting \$18,757 from a dock employer by threatening labor trouble.<sup>3</sup>

## Services Cut Strength

The Defense Dept. reported Dec. 28 that U.S. armed strength had been cut from the 3,685,000-man peak reached in Apr. 1952 for the Korean war to 3,455,954 Nov. 30. Army strength was 1,052,552, Air Force 923,575, Navy 778,057, Marine 251,770.

Steps announced Dec. 29 to enable the services to operate effectively with less men:

(1) An AF "Project Native Son" would bring 35,000 men home from overseas and replace them with local civilians hired at local wages. The AF already employed 96,951 foreign civilians overseas.<sup>4</sup> (2) The Army would discharge 20,000 privates in the lowest intelligence group (category IV) between Feb. 1 & May 1 and would start releasing junior reserve officers before they completed normal 24-mo. duty tours. (3) The Navy would deny reenlistment to sailors incapable of achieving petty officer ratings.<sup>5</sup>

## Defense Reports

Defense Secy. Charles E. Wilson predicted in his semi-annual report to Pres. Eisenhower Dec. 29 that the U.S. would face high defense costs & military service for its youth "for many years to come."<sup>6</sup> He said the mid-1953 military establishment (before sharp cuts in military spending & manpower) was "the most powerful . . . the U.S. ever assembled short of war and constituted the major deterrent to further Communist aggression. . . ." But he warned that an excessive buildup would endanger U.S. "economic health."<sup>7</sup>

Separate, detailed reports by the 3 service secretaries included with the Wilson report:

**Navy Secy.** Anderson said large attack carriers could "carry all types of weapons—including atomic weapons—to a target on very short notice." But he warned that the shipbuilding program was inadequate "to sustain the fleet of present magnitude" by replacing worn-out ships.<sup>8</sup>

**Army Secy.** Stevens said it was "increasingly difficult to attract & hold career soldiers."<sup>9</sup>

**Air Force Secy.** Talbott said the AF would train only 7,200 pilots a year instead of 10,000 in fiscal 1953 & 12,000 in each of succeeding years as previously scheduled.

The Joint Congressional (Watchdog) Com. on Defense Production reported Dec. 27: The U.S. economy could "sustain present military production . . . with little strain on the economy or dislocation of civilian markets."<sup>10</sup> There had been "difficulty & delays" in atomic, stockpiling & other programs. The 3-yr. partial mobilization goal had been "substantially achieved." Stockpiling goals had been reached on 23 materials, 90% achieved on 9, more than 50% achieved on 20, less than 50% completed on the 24 other stockpile items.

## Air Developments

Aircraft industry spokesmen disclosed in New York Dec. 28 that the U.S. was shifting bomber output to jet planes only. U.S. military planes were being delivered at the "stable level" of 1,000 a month but output was

to drop in 1954. Adm. Dewitt C. Ramsey, Aircraft Industries Assn. president, said \$9 billion worth of planes were built in the U.S. in 1953, 3d highest year on record.<sup>11</sup>

The AF disclosed Dec. 24 that Secy. Talbott had ordered secrecy on speed and altitude records.<sup>12</sup>

2 breaks were made Dec. 30 in Army secrecy about proposed sites of anti-aircraft guided-missile installations: Mayor Peter Mandio of Gary, Ind. said a Nike group would be established in Gary to protect Chicago; Rockland County, N.Y. officials protested against a Nike installation at Shanks Village to protect New York City. Army officials refused to confirm choice of the 2 sites.<sup>13</sup>

Strike of more than 1,000,000 non-operating employees (15 unions) of the U.S. 150 Class 1 railroads was delayed for at least 60 days Dec. 29 by Pres. Eisenhower's establishment of an emergency board to investigate union demands for health, welfare & other benefits.<sup>14</sup> . . . Distributive, Processing & Office Workers of Amer.

lost an interim CIO charter Dec. 31 because it had not carried out a projected merger with the CIO Retail, Wholesale & Dept. Store Union.<sup>15</sup> . . . Tuskegee Inst. announced Dec. 30 that no lynching had been recorded in the U.S. for the 2d consecutive year. It discontinued its annual Lynching Letter but planned a new annual report covering other factors in race relations.<sup>16</sup> . . . Gen. Service Admin. ordered Dec. 29 an inventory of all surplus Govt.-owned real estate that could be sold.

## FOREIGN

### Philippine Inaugural

Ramón Magsaysay, 46, was inaugurated in Manila Dec. 30 for a 4-yr. term as 3d President of the Philippine Republic. He said in an inaugural address that domestic measures must get priority, but he promised to fulfill the Philippines' international commitments. He pledged steps to improve living conditions of farm & industrial workers. He called on Huk guerrillas to surrender or be smashed by force.<sup>17</sup>



Wide World  
MAGSAYSAY

Magsaysay retained his post as Defense Secy. and named Brig. Gen. Jesus Vargas as Chief of Staff of the armed forces. Other Cabinet members: Forgn. Secy.—Vice-Pres. Carlos P. Garcia; Finance—Jaime Hernandez; Justice—Pedro Tuason; Com'ce & Indstry.—Oscar Ledesma; Agri.—Salvador Araneta; President's Exec. Secy. is Cabinet post—Fred Luis Castro.

Health—Dr. Paulino Garcia; Welfare—Mrs. Pacita Madrigal Warns; Budget—Dominador Ayetana (temporarily).

(Outgoing Pres. Elpidio Quirino Dec. 28 freed 52 Japanese war criminals previously sentenced to death.)<sup>18</sup>

## Other Foreign News

Queen Elizabeth II renounced the old British tradition of "empire" in her Christmas broadcast to the world from Auckland, N.Z. Dec. 25. She vowed to uphold a "new conception of an equal partnership of races & nations" in the Commonwealth. She said her reign was not to be compared with that of Elizabeth I who "was blessed with neither husband nor children, who ruled as a despot and was never able to leave her native shores." (Elizabeth II & Prince Philip visited the Tonga Islands Dec. 19-20, reached New Zealand Dec. 23.)<sup>19</sup> . . . Britain made payments Dec. 31 of \$119,330,000 on the 1946 U.S. loan of \$3.75 billion and \$18,700,000 on the \$650 million Lend-Lease settlement.<sup>20</sup> . . . Gen. Sir Gerald Templer, 55, was designated Dec. 30 to take command of the NATO Northern Army Group in Germany next October. He was to be succeeded as British High Comm. in Malaya by his deputy, Sir Donald McGillivray, 47.<sup>21</sup>

East & West Germany agreed Dec. 18 to exchange goods worth \$130,233,000 in 1954 in addition to \$45,238,000 worth due on their 1953 agreement.<sup>22</sup> The Org. for European Econ. Coop. reported Dec. 28 that West Germany led West Europe in economic progress this year with a 6%-7% increase in industrial production, only 55% of which was used domestically.<sup>23</sup> The gross natl. product of West Germany & West Berlin was estimated at \$31 billion. Russia returned to East Germany Dec. 31 the last 33 industrial plants seized for World War II reparations. 7 East German Liberal Dem. Party leaders, tried in Dresden, were given prison sentences of 5 to 15 yrs. for forming an underground organization (reported Dec. 25).<sup>24</sup>

Natl. Chinese civil servants & armed forces members got 60%-80% pay raises retroactive to Nov. 16 (reported Dec. 26). New monthly pay (in U.S. dollars): Heads of Parliament & the 4 other Natl. councils (highest paid officials) \$20 plus a \$50 special allowance; full generals & admirals \$12.80; privates 60c.<sup>25</sup> . . . Maj. Earl Wavell, 37, of the 1st Black Watch Regiment, son of the late Field Marshal Earl Wavell, was killed in Kenya Dec. 24 in a Mau Mau ambush. The first 4 Mau Mau murders in Tanganyika were reported Dec. 24. By Dec. 27 Tanganyika police had rounded up 650 Kikuyus suspected of Mau Mau affiliation.<sup>26</sup>

Kashmir-Jammu plebiscite talks between India & Pakistan ended Dec. 26 in New Delhi with no apparent progress on the dispute over size of forces to be kept in the area.<sup>27</sup> . . . Sudan Senate election results (Dec. 13): Natl. Unionists (pro-Egyptian) won 21 seats, Umma (pro-Independence) 4, Southern Party 3, Independents 2. (Natl. Unionists won 47 of 97 seats in the House of Representatives.)<sup>28</sup>

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# BUSINESS & FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Week Ended Dec. 26

## FINANCE:

| U.S. Treasury—             | This Week | Last Week | Year Ago |
|----------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| Monetary gold stocks ..... | \$22,029  | \$22,028  | \$23,186 |
| Currency circulation ..... | \$31,136  | \$30,953  | \$30,732 |

| Banks—                          | This Week        | Last Week        | Year Ago        |
|---------------------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Com'l, ind'l & agri'l loans.... | \$23,130         | \$23,081         | \$23,423        |
| N.Y. bank clearings .....       | \$10,472,393,713 | \$11,259,757,047 | \$8,705,689,062 |
| England note circulation .....  | \$1,640,264      | \$1,632,142      |                 |

| N.Y. Stock Exchange—             | This Week    | Last Week    | Year Ago     |
|----------------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| Stock sales (shares) .....       | 6,253,460    | 8,014,058    | 6,996,270    |
| Stock avgs. (100 stocks)** ..... | 146.56       | 147.62       | 153.47       |
| Bond sales .....                 | \$13,269,200 | \$16,292,000 | \$13,977,700 |
| Bond avgs. (30 bonds)** .....    | 97.62        | 97.71        | 99.27        |

| INDUSTRY:                         | This Week  | Last Week   | Year Ago    |
|-----------------------------------|------------|-------------|-------------|
| Auto output (cars, trucks)† ..... | 86,445     | 123,241     | 97,690      |
| Crude oil (bbls. daily) .....     | 6,248,100  | 6,225,400   | 6,610,800   |
| Soft-coal output (tons) .....     | 8,420,000  | 8,200,000   | 10,125,000  |
| Elec. output (kwh.) .....         | \$8,896.25 | \$8,661.131 | \$8,280.073 |
| Carloadings (cars) .....          | 618,432    | 651,951     | 710,390     |

| PRICES:                          | This Week | Last Week | Year Ago |
|----------------------------------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| Wheat (bu.) .....                | \$2.66½   | \$2.63¼   | \$2.72¾  |
| Corn (bu.) .....                 | \$1.83½   | \$1.82½   | \$1.85½  |
| Cotton (lb.) .....               | \$3.355   | \$3.335   | \$3.34   |
| Wholesale food index‡ .....      | \$6.72    | \$6.66    | \$6.15   |
| Weekly whols. index (BLS)¶ ..... | 110.1     | 109.5     | 109.5    |

| BUSINESS:                                     | Nov.  | Oct.  | Nov. 1952 |
|-----------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-----------|
| Consumer spending†¶ .....                     | 131.5 | 129.6 | 126.1     |
| New incorporations† .....                     | 7,269 | 8,267 | 6,741     |
| Dept. store sales (Fed. Reserve Board)¶ ..... | 234   | 216   | 237       |
| Failures (Dec. 17)‡ .....                     | 210   | 216   | 141       |

| Forgn. Trade\$— | Oct.      | Sept.   | Oct. 1952 |
|-----------------|-----------|---------|-----------|
| Imports .....   | \$813.6   | \$926   | \$918     |
| Exports .....   | \$1,244.6 | \$1,235 | \$1,216   |

| LABOR:                             | Nov.       | Oct.       | Nov. 1952  |
|------------------------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Employed\$ .....                   | 61,925,000 | 62,224,000 | 62,228,000 |
| Unemployed\$ .....                 | 1,428,000  | 1,162,000  | 1,418,000  |
| Non-farm employment (BLS) .....    | 49,206,000 | 49,578,000 | 49,310,000 |
| Mfg. employment (BLS) .....        | 16,711,000 | 17,008,000 | 16,874,000 |
| Avg. weekly mfg. pay (BLS) .....   | \$71.02    | \$71.73    | \$70.28    |
| Avg. weekly mfg. hours (BLS) ..... | 39.9       | 40.3       | 41.1       |

\*In millions    \*\*N.Y. Herald Tribune    †Ward's estimate    ‡Dun & Bradstreet    ¶1947-49=100    §Bureau of the Census    ¶Fed. Reserve member banks, 95 cities, Dec. 16    †Dec. 19    ‡Dec. 12    ¶Dec. 22  
 \*The BLS reported Dec. 23 that the Consumer Price (cost-of-living) Index, dropping for the first time in 8 months, declined from 115.4% of the 1947-49 average in mid-Oct. to 115% in mid-Nov.; greatest change was a 1.4% decline in food prices to 112% of the 1947-49 average.

## ECONOMICS

Retail beef prices in 1952-53 "generally reflected the declining prices for live cattle," the U.S. Agriculture Dept. reported Dec. 23 after a 3-mo. study of alleged overcharging. It said there were lags in adjustment of retail to on-the-hoof prices that "resulted in some erratic month-to-month variations" but no profiteering by packers.<sup>1</sup> . . . Railroad passenger traffic in the U.S. dropped about 7% this year but freight carloadings increased slightly and U.S. railroads' gross revenues totaled a record \$10,746,000,000, the Assn. of Amer. RRs estimated Dec. 25.<sup>2</sup> . . . Philip Vincent Cardon, 64, of Logan, Utah, a U.S. Agri. Dept. agronomist since 1909, was elected by the UN Food & Agri. Org. in Rome Dec. 9 to succeed Norris E. Dodd, 74, as FAO director general.<sup>3</sup> . . . Du Pont company won dismissal Dec. 14 of an anti-trust suit charging it with a monopoly in manufacture & sale of cellophane. Fed. Judge Paul Leahy ruled that the du Pont company should not be "punished for its success" in developing the product.<sup>4</sup>

in Boston, as an opportunity for scientists to render "service in the interests of peace & a contribution to the welfare of all peoples."<sup>5</sup> . . . Anti-trust suit against Jacob & the late Lee Shubert (see *Obituaries* next page) was dismissed by Fed. Judge John C. Knox in New York Dec. 30. They were charged with a monopoly on legitimate theater attractions. . . . Samuel Goldwyn urged Dec. 23 that the Motion Picture Assn. of Amer. allow "a greater degree of latitude" in its Production (decency) Code. He said it must be "brought reasonably up to date" or a "tendency to by-pass it . . . will increase."

## NEW NON-FICTION BOOKS

**The Nemesis of Power:** The German Army in Politics 1919-1945. By John W. Wheeler-Bennett. How Germany secretly rearmed between World Wars. Dec. 18. (St. Martin, 2 vols., \$29 pp., \$12)  
**Life Is Worth Living.** By Fulton J. Sheen. Transcripts of TV talks by N. Y. Roman Catholic bishop. Oct. 20. (McGraw-Hill, 271 pp., \$3.75)†  
**The Papers of Wilbur & Orville Wright.** Edited by Marvin W. McFarland. Story of flight in technical & lay terms by men who made it possible. Dec. 4. (McGraw-Hill, 2 vols., 1,278 pp., \$25)  
**Stillmeadow and Sugarbridge.** By Gladys Taber & Barbara Webster. Letters about country living. Dec. 2. (Lippincott, 360 pp., \$5)  
**A Stillness at Appomattox.** By Bruce Catton. Concluding volume in history of Lee's army during Civil War. Nov. 24. (Doubleday, 438 pp., \$5)

# LEADING DECEMBER FILMS

## New York Releases

**All The Brothers Were Valiant.** Robert Taylor & Stewart Granger as sea-faring brothers out of 19th Century New Bedford in search of whales & pearls. Screenplay by Harry Brown from story by Ben Ames Williams. Directed by Richard Thorpe. Produced in Technicolor by Pandro S. Berman for MGM. With Ann Blyth, Keenan Wynn, Beta St. John. Dec. 28.

**Annapurna.** Documentary of ascent of Himalayan mountain in 1951 by Maurice Herzog expedition. Narrated by Herzog & Edward Byrne. Produced & photographed in color by Marcel Ichac. Arthur Mayer-Edward Kingsley release. Dec. 13.

**Beneath the 12-Mile Reef.** CinemaScope, technicolored story of Greek sponge gatherers off Florida Keys. Screenplay by A. I. Bezzerides. Directed by Robert D. Webb. Produced by Robert Bassler for 20th Century-Fox. With Gilbert Roland, Robert Wagner, Terry Moore, J. Carrol Naish. Dec. 16.

**The Bigamist.** Social document of man with 2 wives. Screenplay by Collier Young. Directed by Ida Lupino. Produced by Young for Filmakers Productions, Inc. With Edmond O'Brien, Joan Fontaine, Miss Lupino. Dec. 25.

**The Conquest of Everest.** Documentary of Hillary-Tensing ascent of Mt. Everest. Photographed in color by Thomas Stobart & George W. Lowe. Commentary by Louis MacNeice. Narrated by Meredith Edwards. Countryman Films production released by United Artists. Dec. 9.

**Easy to Love.** Esther Williams, Van Johnson, Tony Martin in musical water show set in Cypress Gardens, Fla. Screenplay by Lazlo Vaday & William Roberts. Directed by Charles Walters. Produced in Technicolor by Joe Pasternack for MGM. Dec. 8.

**The Eddie Cantor Story.** Entertainer's rags-to-riches life. Screenplay by Jerome Weidman, Ted Sherdeman. Directed by Alfred E. Green. Produced by Sidney Skolsky for Warner Bros. With Keefe Brasselle as Cantor, Marilyn Erskine, Aline MacMahon, Arthur Franz. Dec. 25.

**Folly to Be Wise.** Alastair Sim in British comedy of Army chaplain who tries to provide his charges with good clean fun. Screenplay by John Dighton & Frank Launder based on James Bridie's play "It Depends on What you Mean." Directed by Launder. Produced by Launder & Sidney Gilliat. Fine Arts Films release. With Roland Culver, Elizabeth Allan, Marita Hunt. Dec. 27.

**Heidi.** Johanna Spyri's classic children's story of a little Swiss girl. Screenplay by Richard Schweizer & Wilhelm E. Treichlinger. Swiss production by Lazar Wechsler. United Artists release. Directed by Luigi Comencini. With Elsbeth Sigmund, Heinrich Gretler. Dec. 20.

**Here Come the Girls.** Technicolor musical starring Bob Hope as an over-age chorus boy. Screenplay by Edmund Hartmann & Hal Kanter. Directed by Claude Binyon. Produced by Paul Jones for Paramount. With Tony Martin, Rosemary Clooney, Arlene Dahl. Dec. 25.

**Hondo.** Three-dimensional western of U.S. Cavalryman fighting Apaches. Screenplay by Louis L'Amour. Directed by John Farrow. Produced by Warner Bros. With Ward Bond, Geraldine Page, Michael Pate. Dec. 5.

**King of the Khyber Rifles.** Tyrone Power as half-caste British captain fighting rebellious Indian natives. Screenplay by Ivan Goff & Ben Roberts based on novel by Talbot Mundy. Directed by Henry King. Produced in CinemaScope by Frank P. Rosenberg for 20th Century-Fox. With Terry Moore, Michael Rennie, Guy Rolfe. Dec. 22.

**The Loves & Morals of Times Gone By.** Italian-made omnibus of 6 short stories dealing with various aspects of love. IFE release directed by Alessandro Blasetti. With Vittorio De Sica, Gina Lollobrigida, Aldo Fabrizi. Dec. 29.

**Miss Sadie Thompson.** Rita Hayworth & José Ferrer in cleaned-up version in Technicolor of Somerset Maugham's "Rain." Screenplay by Harry Kleiner. Directed by Curtis Bernhardt. Produced by Jerry Wald for Columbia. With Aldo Ray, Peggy Converse, Harry Bellaver, Russell Collins, Diosa Costello. Dec. 23.

**Paratrooper.** Alan Ladd thriller about World War II combat troops. Screenplay by Richard Maibaum & Frank Nugent from story by Hilary St. George Saunders. Directed by Terence Young. Produced by Irving Allen & Albert R. Broccoli for Columbia. With Leo Genn, Susan Stephen. Dec. 30.

**The Wild One.** Marlon Brando as leader of hoodlum motorcyclists terrorizing a small town. Screenplay by John Paxton, based on story by Frank Rooney. Directed by Laslo Benedek. Stanley Kramer production released by Columbia. With Robert Keith, Mary Murphy, Lee Marvin. Dec. 30.

## NEW YORK THEATER

### Opened

**Dead Pigeon.** Drama by Lenard Kantor about 2 policemen & a blonde prisoner marked for killing. Staged by Harald Bromley. Presented by Bromley & Haila Stoddard. Cast: James Gregory, Joan Loring, Lloyd Bridges. Dec. 23 at Vanderbilt. (0-1-6)\*

**In The Summer House.** Judith Anderson & Mildred Dunnock in drama by Jane Bowles about 2 neurotic mothers & their daughters. Staged by José Quintero. Presented by Oliver Smith & Playwrights Co. With Elizabeth Ross, Muriel Berkson, Marita Reid, Jean Stapleton, Don Mayo, Logan Ramsey. Dec. 29 at Playhouse. (3-3-1)\*

**Sing Till Tomorrow.** Play by Jean Lowenthal about a druggist unhappy about his lot in life. Staged by Basil Langton. Presented by Dorothy Natter. With John Marley, Eileen Ryan. Dec. 28 at Royale. (0-0-7)\*

**The Remarkable Mr. Pennypacker.** Comedy by Liam O'Brien about a Gay 90s "progressive" who has 2 large families of children. Staged by Alan Schneider. Presented by Robert Whitehead & Roger L. Stevens. With Burgess Meredith, Martha Scott, Glenn Anders, Una Merkel, Phyllis Love, Michael Wager, Thomas Chalmers, Roger Stevens. Dec. 30 at Coronet. (7-0-0)\*

\* First fig.—favorable reviews; 2d—mixed; 3d—unfavorable. [See p. 30P] 1—see p. 326B1 2—358A3 3—420B3 4—430C3 5—435C2

## ARTS & SCIENCE

Atomic energy "bank" proposed by Pres. Eisenhower was indorsed unanimously Dec. 30 by the Amer. Assn. for the Advancement of Science, meeting

## EDUCATION

**State Actions.** The Mississippi Legislature completed passage Dec. 24 of legislation to provide separate but equal school facilities for white & Negro children. The program, adopted at a special legislative session, was expected to call for \$5 million worth of school construction a year for several years and add \$12 million a year to state school costs (now \$50 million a year). Financing of the program was put over to the Legislature's 1954 session.<sup>1</sup> . . . A special session of the Utah Legislature completed passage Dec. 20 of bills to raise teachers' pay & finance other public school expenditures by raising the cigarette tax 2¢ (over Gov. J. Bracken Lee's veto) and ending state aid to junior colleges. 3 junior colleges (Weber, Snow, Dixie) were returned to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints (Mormons), which had placed them under state control in 1933. The church was to continue their operation. State-owned Carbon College in Price was to be closed.<sup>2</sup>

**Faculty salary averages** for college & university professors reported in a Natl. Education Assn. survey Dec. 29: a range of \$4,860 a year in small colleges to \$8,950 in municipal universities for full professors; \$3,538 starting salary in teachers' colleges, \$5,525 in state universities. Head coaches generally made more than other administrative officers.<sup>3</sup> . . . Columbia U. received Dec. 18 a reply from Alexander S. Nesmeyanov, Soviet Academy of Sciences president, to a 3-yr.-old invitation that Soviet scientists participate in Columbia's bicentennial celebration in 1954. The Russian reply said the invitation betrayed "grave concern which progressive Americans feel about the freedom of scientists in their own country." Columbia Pres. Grayson Kirk again challenged the Russians Dec. 29 to visit Columbia and observe the activities of free scientists there.<sup>4</sup> . . . British "Teachers for Peace" organization opened a "pacifist" conference in London Dec. 29 with foreign delegates barred by the British Home Office on grounds that the meeting would further Communist propaganda.<sup>5</sup>

## RELIGION

**Jews.** Leaders of the Sephardic (descended from Jews of Spain & Portugal) and Ashkenazic (non-Sephardic) branches of Jewry in the Netherlands signed a 100-yr. concordat in Amsterdam Dec. 27 abolishing an old agreement (made in 1810) whereby a wife was obliged to attend her husband's synagogue. The new agreement provided that a husband could adopt the synagogue of his wife. The pact was submitted to Queen Juliana for ratification. . . . The synagogue of La Scuola Grande Tedesca (The Great German School) in Venice, founded in

1415 as a habitat of Jewish bankers, was rededicated Dec. 26 after its restoration since 1949 as an art & community center. Most funds for the restoration were raised by the U.S. United Jewish Appeal & allocated by the American Joint Distribution Com.

**Catholics.** Crowds of worshippers were attracted to Entrevaux, France Dec. 29 after a carved wood statue of St. Anne displayed in a hotel reportedly dropped blood from a broken

forefinger.<sup>6</sup> . . . The Vatican announced Dec. 29 the establishment of a Pope Pius XII Foundation for the Lay Apostolate to coordinate missionary work by Catholic laymen throughout the world.<sup>7</sup>

**Methodists.** The Methodist Church reported Dec. 26 that its membership in the U.S. & possessions totaled 9,151,524 and its property was valued at \$1,857,497,972, on which there was a debt of \$82,318,462.<sup>8</sup>

## OBITUARIES

**Loet C. Barnstyn**, 75, retired Dutch filmmaker; Dec. 25, Kings Pt., N.Y.

**Col. Werner Baumbach**, 37, adviser to Argentine Defense Ministry, World War II Luftwaffe bomber commander credited with sinking 300,000 tons of Allied shipping; Oct. 20 in plane crash into Plate River, Buenos Aires.

**Lt. Gen. Bijaya Shumshere Jung Bahadur Rana**, 38, Nepalese Amb. to India; Dec. 29 in New Delhi when accidentally electrocuted by immersion heater in bath.

**Archduke Carlos Pius of Habsburg-Bourbon**, 44, a pretender to Spanish throne; Dec. 24, Barcelona (stroke).

**Patrick Edward Crowley**, 89, N.Y. Central RR pres. 1924-32; Oct. 1, Mt. Vernon, N.Y.

**Ada Claire Darby**, 69, author of historical books for children; Dec. 22 in St. Joseph, Mo.

**Monnett Bain Davis**, 60, U.S. Amb. to Israel since 1951; Dec. 26 in Tel Aviv of heart ailment.

**Patrick J. (Patsy) Donovan**, 88, old-time major league outfielder & manager; Dec. 25 in Lawrence, Mass.

**Pierre Dupong**, 68, Premier of Luxembourg since 1937, advocate of European unity; Dec. 22 in Luxembourg of thrombosis. (Foren. Min. Joseph Bech, 76, Premier in 1926-37, was named new Premier Dec. 28.)<sup>9</sup>

**Michael Dwyer**, 76, Nova Scotian Mines Minister 1933-39, mayor of New Glasgow 1949-50; Dec. 28 in New Glasgow, N.S.

**Lanius Duane Evans**, 92, Houghton Mifflin ed. for 59 years who edited works of Henry James & Willa Cather, Churchill's World War II memoirs; Dec. 21 in Cambridge, Mass.

**Eugene A. Gilmore**, 82, Iowa U. pres. 1934-40, vice Gov. General of Philippines 1922-27; Nov. 4, Iowa Cy.

**David Rhys Griffiths**, Welsh poet; Dec. 27 in London.

**Alberto E. Grimoldi**, 44, South America's leading shoe mfr.; July 22 in Buenos Aires.

**Carter H. Harrison**, 93, Mayor of Chicago 1897-1905, 1911-15; Dec. 25 in Chicago.

**Capt. Nicholas H. Heck**, 71, seismologist, ex-Coast & Geodetic Survey expert; Dec. 21 in Washington.

**Daniel Paul Higgins**, 67, architect who helped design Jefferson Memorial, Natl. Gallery of Art in Washn.; Dec. 26 in N.Y.

**Charles Joseph Huber**, 67, industrial & textile engineer; Dec. 22 in Ridgewood, N.Y.

**Rita Hume Secondari**, 36, correspondent in Italy for *Seattle Times*, N. Amer. Newspaper Alliance; Dec. 29 on Majorca in auto accident.

**Dr. Albert E. Jenks**, 83, Minnesota U. anthropologist noted for research on prehistoric "Minnesota Man"; June 6, Lake Minnetonka, Minn.

**Joseph Jongen**, 79, Belgian composer; July 13 at Sart-Lez-Spa, Belgium.

**Dr. Daniel B. Kirby**, 62, eye surgeon who invented operational techniques; Dec. 27, Pelham Manor, N.Y.

**Abraham Krotoshinsky**, 60, U.S. hero in World War I for carrying message that brought relief to "Lost Battalion" in Argonne; Nov. 4 in N.Y.

**Lt. Gen. Lucien Leboutte**, 55, Belgian AF Chief of Staff; Aug. 22 in Brustem-Les-St. Trond, Belgium.

**Dr. Ralph Linton**, 60, Yale anthropologist; Dec. 24 in New Haven.

**Violet MacMillan** (Mrs. John H. Folger), 66, retired "Cinderella Girl" of stage & silent films; Dec. 28 in Grand Rapids, Mich.

**Dr. Alexander Marx**, 75, Hebrew historian; Dec. 26 in New York.

**Helene Mayer**, 42, world fencing champion during 1930s; Oct. 15 in Frankfurt-on-the-Main, Germany.

**Col. Houston P. Moore**, 74, pres. Greenbrier Military School; Oct. 5 in Roncouverte, W.Va.

**Gouverneur Morris**, 77, novelist, ex-banker; Aug. 14, Gallup, N.M.

**Lord Morrison of Tottenham**, 72, Laborite, British wartime food salvage director; Dec. 25, London.

**Sir Humphrey Francis O'Leary**, 67, New Zealand Chief Justice since 1946; Oct. 16 in Auckland.

**Mrs. Jane Deeter Rippin**, 71, U.S. Girl Scouts director 1919-30; June 2 in Tarrytown, N.Y.

**Mrs. Dora Roberts**, 90, wealthy West Texas ranchowner & philanthropist; Dec. 27 in Ft. Worth, Tex.

**Norman D. Rothman**, 40, UN printing division chief; Oct. 4, N.Y.

**Thomas L. L. Ryan**, 61 retired advertising agent for major U.S. firms; July 29, N. Salem, N.Y.

**Walter J. Salmon**, N.Y. realtor, race horse breeder; Dec. 25, N.Y.

**Sukru Saracoglu**, 66, Turkish Premier 1942-46; Dec. 27 in Istanbul.<sup>10</sup>

**Louis Schaeffer**, 64, Jewish editorialist, producer of 1937 ILGWU revue *Pins & Needles*; Oct. 20, N.Y.

**Friedrich Schorr**, 64, Met. Opera (N.Y.) Wagnerian baritone 1923-43; Aug. 14 in Farmington, Conn.

**Hugh Ike Schott**, 87, Bluefield, W. Va. publisher, ex-Congressman, ex-Senator; Oct. 12 in Bluefield.

**Lee Shubert**, at least 78, who with brother Jacob J. (surviving) became U.S.' major owner of legitimate theaters in New York & other principal cities since 1920s, producer of

1—see Vol. XII, p. 131G-H 2—p. 265D3 3—423B2 4—379D3, 7L 5—5D 6—423A3 7—415A2 9—Vol. II, 293E 10—Vol. VI, 12P (See also Index by name & subject for references)

many hit Broadway shows; Dec. 25 in New York of circulatory ailment.<sup>1</sup>

Dr. Marius N. Smith-Peterson, 66, orthopedist who devised operative techniques; June 16 in Boston.

Dr. George Henry Hamilton Tate, 59, Amer. Museum of Natural History (N.Y.) curator of mammals; Dec. 28 in Morristown, N.J.

Edith Margaret Watson, 72, secy. to British Prime Mins. Law, MacDonald, Baldwin, Chamberlain, Churchill; Oct. 14, Worthing, Eng.

Wade Werner, 60, AP forgn. & war correspondent 1929-45; Dec. 28 in San Jose, Calif.

## SPORTS

### Australia Keeps Davis Cup

Australia won the Davis Cup tennis challenge (final) round for the 4th straight year by defeating the U.S., 3 matches to 2, in Melbourne Dec. 28-31. Lewis Hoad beat Tony Trabert Dec. 30 and Ken Rosewall won from Vic Seixas Dec. 31 as the Australians rallied from a split of the first 2 singles matches & loss of the doubles.

### Detroit Keeps NFL Title

The Detroit Lions beat the Cleveland Browns, 17-16, in Detroit Dec. 27 to win the Natl. Football League playoff for the 2d straight year. A 34-yd. pass from Bobby Layne to Jim Doran gave the Lions a tying touchdown with 2 min. to play. Doak Walker kicked the winning extra point.<sup>2</sup>

## COLLEGE SPORTS RESULTS

### Football

Grays (South) 40, Blues (North) 20 in annual all-star game in Montgomery, Ala., Dec. 26.

### Basketball Tourney Finals

Dec. 30. Holiday Festival (N.Y.)—Duquesne 66, Niagara 61. Dixie Classic (Raleigh)—Duke 98, Navy 83. Sugar Bowl (New Orleans)—Holy Cross 66, LSU 56. Big 7 Conf. (Kansas City)—Kansas 82, Oklahoma 73. Southwest (Dallas)—Rice 65, Texas 58.

Dec. 31. All-College (Oklahoma City)—Oklahoma A&M 67, Santa Clara 56.

Danny O'Connell, 24, Pittsburgh infielder, was traded to Milwaukee Dec. 26 for cash, infielder-outfielder Sid Gordon, 35, pitcher Max Surkont, outfielder Sam Jethroe, 34, and minor league pitchers.<sup>3</sup> . . . James (Junior) Gilliam, 25, Negro 2d-baseman for Brooklyn, was named NL "Rookie of the Year" by the Baseball Writers' Assn. of Amer. Dec. 23.<sup>3</sup>

Sammy Lee of Pasadena, Calif., diving champion & Army Med. Corps major serving in Korea, was awarded the AAU's James E. Sullivan sportsmanship award Dec. 30. . . . Jockey Willie Shoemaker, 22, ended the year Dec. 31 with a record 485 winning races.

Drake U. officials in Des Moines revealed Dec. 25 that basketball player Ben Bumbry had reported an attempt by a Des Moines man to bribe him to fix the "point spread" of a Drake-

Iowa State game.<sup>4</sup> . . . Harry J. Rockefeller was appointed Rutgers U. athletics & physical ed. director Dec. 28 succeeding George E. Little, who resigned due to ill health. . . . Horace (Horse) Hendrickson resigned Dec. 29 as N.C. State football coach. . . . Carl (Bobo) Olson, middleweight champion, was named "Fighter of the Year" by *The Ring Magazine* Dec.

28.<sup>5</sup> . . . Boxing deaths throughout the world during 1953 totaled 21 (11 professionals, 10 amateurs), most since 1930, *The Ring* reported Dec. 29.<sup>6</sup> . . . Speedboat racing leaders for 1953 as reported by the Amer. Power Boat Assn. Dec. 26: (pro) Bud Wiget of Concord, Calif. with 6,732 pts., (amateur) Tom Ingalls of Los Angeles with 5,794 points.

## MISCELLANEOUS

### Holiday Accidents

Christmas weekend traffic accidents in the U.S. resulted in 523 deaths during a 78-hr. period Dec. 24-27, the AP reported. Heaviest toll in non-traffic disasters: 6 children of Mr. & Mrs. Roy Estep burned to death in a fire near Ellington, Mo. Dec. 24.

166 persons were known dead or missing from the wreck of a Wellington-Auckland express train near Waiouru, N.Z. Dec. 24. Mountaineers said water from a crater lake atop Raupahu Volcano apparently had been pushed up by a volcanic eruption and spilled down the mountain, damaging the railroad track. . . . Czechoslovakia reported 103 persons killed Dec. 24 when the Balkan Express & a local passenger train collided between Prague & Bratislava. . . . A lightning flash caused by a short-circuited electric wire panicked worshippers at a church in Temoaya, Mexico Dec. 25 and 23 persons were killed in a rush for the doors. . . . 16 persons were killed Dec. 24 when a home-made bomb exploded in Casablanca's central market place.

The 38th victim of the Dec. 5 Vicksburg, Miss. tornado died Dec. 29.<sup>7</sup> . . . 800 men fought 2 forest fires covering 23,000 acres on & near Mt. Wilson, Calif. Dec. 27-29 to prevent destruction of the astronomical observatory & TV installations on Mt. Wilson. . . . The 42 men & a stewardess of the crew of the Swedish freighter *Oklahoma* were rescued from lifeboats Dec. 26-27, several hours after the *Oklahoma* broke up during a storm 400 mi. east of Newfoundland. The rescue was made by the U.S. Navy supply ship *Blue Jacket* & Finnish freighter *Orion*.

### Crime News

Lt. Louis Shoulders was indicted by a federal grand jury in Kansas City Dec. 29 on charges that he perjured himself in testimony about his handling of Greenlease kidnapping ransom money.<sup>8</sup> . . . Herman H. Nagle, 54, ex-Brooklyn policeman, was acquitted in Phoenix, Ariz. Dec. 22 of murder in the mercy slaying Sept. 5 of his daughter Betty Virginia, 28, a cerebral palsy victim. He pleaded temporary insanity due to worry over his fear that he would die of cancer & leave her helpless. . . . Moses Jones, 50, a Negro prisoner, was shot to death in jail in Grove Hill, Ala. Dec. 28 by Sheriff Jenkins A. Hill, who claimed self-defense. Jones, held for running an illegal still, had testified in federal court Sept. 21 that Hill &

2 colleagues had forced him to pay \$2 a gallon for "protection." (Hill's trial ended in a mistrial. Sam Deas, also accused by Jones, later shot & killed G. C. Allen, allegedly a 3d member of the protection conspiracy, at a nightclub where Hill was present. A grand jury failed to indict Deas.)

. . . Tommie Dene Doughty, 17, received a 21-yr. federal prison sentence in Muskogee, Okla. Dec. 28 after pleading guilty to the kidnapping of 5-mo.-old Richard Lee Stammer of Evansville, Ind.<sup>9</sup> . . . Paco Sierra, 42, singer & burlesque producer, was given an 8-yr. prison sentence in Mexico City Dec. 28 for plotting an attempt to blow up a Mexican Aviation Co. plane carrying 7 persons Sierra had insured for \$208,000. Emilio Arellano received a 30-yr. sentence for planting a time bomb that damaged the plane (on Sept. 24, 1952) but caused no injuries. . . . Roman Usiondek & Robert Dowling, last fugitives from the Southern Michigan prison break Dec. 19, were caught in Richmond, Ind. Dec. 23.<sup>10</sup> . . . Charles E. Johnson, 46, sought for a Leaks-ville, N.C. bank robbery staged Apr. 17, 1952 and listed by the FBI as one of the "10 most wanted men," was arrested in Central Islip, N. Y. Dec. 28. . . . Saratoga Springs, N.Y. gambling probe resulted Dec. 29 in the levying of \$28,000 in fines against 27 men & 2 corporations. Largest fine: \$10,000 against Joseph (Doc) Stacher, 47, a New Jersey & Nevada underworld figure.<sup>11</sup>

### NAMES IN THE NEWS

Barbara Hutton & Porfirio Rubirosa were married Dec. 30 in New York, 2 days after actress Zsa Zsa Gabor had announced in Las Vegas her rejection of a marriage proposal by the Dominican diplomat. It was the 5th marriage for Miss Hutton, 41, Woolworth heiress previously married to the late Prince Alexis Mdivani, Count Kurt von Haugwitz-Reventlo, actor Cary Grant & Prince Igor Troubetzkoy. Rubirosa, 45, was previously married to Flor de Oro Trujillo, daughter of the Dominican ex-President, and to actress Danielle Darrieux & heiress Doris Duke. He was restored Dec. 30 as Minister of the Dominican Republic in Paris, a post he had recently lost after he was named as co-respondent in 2 divorce cases.<sup>12</sup>

Archduke Robert of Hapsburg, 38, a Bank of Indo-China employe in Paris, & Princess Margherita of Savoy-Aosta (Italy), 23, a secretary, were married Dec. 28 in Bourg-en-Bresse, France.

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## LABOR

### Federations Bar Raiding

A no-raiding agreement was signed by the AFL & CIO in Washington Dec. 16. The pact, effective Jan. 1, applied only to unions signing it. Signers agreed not to enroll members of other signing unions. AFL Pres. George Meany said the compact "created an atmosphere which I believe will now let us make rapid progress toward an actual merger."<sup>1</sup>

(The AFL Machinists & AFL Printing Pressmen Dec. 16 signed a jurisdiction agreement specifying which pressroom jobs each union was to control. It provided for binding arbitration to settle disputes.)<sup>2</sup>

### Court, NLRB Decisions

The Supreme Court ruled unanimously Dec. 14 that state courts could not enforce state laws which regulate practices controlled by a federal law. It upheld the Pennsylvania Supreme Court in invalidating a county court injunction against picketing in a dispute between the AFL Teamsters and a Harrisburg storage & trucking company. The ruling applied only in interstate trade.

In an 8-1 decision the same day, the court held that labor relations of franchised auto dealers were under NLRB jurisdiction even if their business was confined to one state because such dealers were "integral" parts of the distribution systems of the auto manufacturers. Justice Douglas dissented. (The NLRB Dec. 9 issued a complaint against the Studebaker Corp. & the CIO United Auto Workers local in South Bend, Ind. for allegedly "requiring" employees to own Studebakers.)

Fed. Dist. Judge Charles O. Betts in Austin Dec. 18 invalidated a state injunction which had kept the Intl. Fur & Leather Workers from operating in Texas since June 16 on grounds it was Communist-dominated.<sup>3</sup>

AFL Pres. George Meany quit as adviser to the Forgn. Operations Admin. Dec. 10. He protested that the "entire labor program of the agency has been dismantled."<sup>4</sup> . . . John Clark was reelected Intl. Union of Mine, Mill & Smelter Workers president in nationwide union elections, it was announced Dec. 11 in Denver.<sup>5</sup> . . . United Steelworkers Union (CIO) reported in Pittsburgh Dec. 1 that its assets totaled more than \$13,000,000.<sup>6</sup> . . . Auto Mfrs. Assn. reported in Detroit Dec. 14 that the automotive industry had maintained an average employment of 930,000 during 1953 with the industry payroll totaling \$3.5 billion. 770,000 production workers received pay averaging \$2.14 an hour, \$87.38 a week. Wholesale value of vehicles produced: \$11.4 billion. Exports of cars totaled 180,000 as against 167,000 in 1952. The association said there were 12 million prewar cars still in use in the U.S. and 17 million American families (37% of the farms) were without cars.<sup>7</sup> . . . Intl. Ladies' Gar-

ment Workers Union Pres. David Dubinsky disclosed in New York Dec. 20 that his union had lent the United Hatters, Cap & Millinery Workers Intl. Union \$250,000 to help finance their strike against the Hat Corp. of Amer. in South Norwalk, Conn. The strike by 1,500 workers, now in its 24th week, was called to force the company to guarantee that it would not transfer any of its operations to other cities.<sup>8</sup> . . . Ventura County Citrus Assn. announced in Santa Paula, Calif. Dec. 8 it had arranged for 500 West Indian laborers to help harvest the lemon crop. The citrus growers were said to be dissatisfied with administrative difficulties in hiring Mexican workers. (The U.S. Immigration & Naturalization's border patrol disclosed Nov. 21 that 96,081 Mexican border-jumpers had been caught in October.)<sup>9</sup> . . . CIO Amer. Newspaper Guild Oct. 11 ended a 28-day strike of the Portland (Me.) *Press Herald*, *Evening Express* and *Sunday Telegram*. It settled for \$1-\$6.25-a-week raises & maintenance-of-membership instead of a guild shop.<sup>10</sup> . . . AFL Intl. Typo. Union disclosed Oct. 1 that its members had refused in a nationwide referendum to raise to \$1 million the \$500,000 fund used by Unitup to set up newspapers in cities where papers are on strike.<sup>11</sup> The ITU suspended its 18-month-old *Beckley* (W. Va.) *News-Digest* Oct. 9.

## ARMED FORCES

### Veterans

Veterans Admin. reported Dec. 11 that it was paying for education or training of 589,000 veterans this fall. The total included 346,000 World War II vets under the original GI bill, 217,000 Korea vets under the Korea GI bill, 18,500 disabled World War II vets & 7,500 disabled Korea vets.<sup>12</sup> The VA announced Dec. 9 that it would pay a \$190 million GI insurance dividend to some 5 million policy holders in 1954.<sup>13</sup> The VA announced Nov. 5 that veterans no longer would get free hospitalization for non-service-connected ailments unless they proved their inability to pay for private treatment.<sup>14</sup>

### Services

Subsidized scholarships for medical, dental, nurse & veterinary students were proposed by the Defense Dept. Nov. 17 subject to Congressional approval. Students would agree to serve armed forces one year for each year of Govt.-supported training.<sup>15</sup> . . . Army & Navy disclosed Nov. 8 that exceptionally large numbers of West Point cadets & Annapolis plebes have been resigning before completing their first year. Economy cuts that curtailed service "fringe benefits" were largely blamed. . . . Army purchases of goods & services during fiscal 1953 (reported Oct. 17) amounted to \$7,076,755,000. \$3,923,484,000 worth (56%) was supplied by small companies (under 500 employees). (The Defense Dept. announced

Nov. 30 it was launching a program to use up, give to Allied nations or sell civilians a stock of surplus & obsolete Army, Navy & AF supplies originally worth \$6 billion.)<sup>16</sup> . . . Navy disclosed Dec. 3 it had conducted successful tests of a new British-designed steam catapult and would use it on carriers to launch jet planes. . . . Germ warfare was described by the Army in a report made public Dec. 20 as a "major danger." The report expressed doubt that an enemy could launch mass epidemics but said germ weapons could be used to sabotage production & cause panic in strategic localities.<sup>17</sup> . . . Lt. Gen. William M. Hoge, U.S. Army commander in Europe, was promoted to rank of full general by Pres. Eisenhower Oct. 23.<sup>18</sup> . . . Radio Jim Creek, a 1,200,000-watt transmitter (world's most powerful) with global coverage, was opened by the Navy Nov. 18 at Jim Creek, 55 mi. n.e. of Seattle, Wash.<sup>19</sup>

Vice Adm. Alfred M. Pride took over from Vice Adm. Joseph J. Clark in Yokosuka, Japan Dec. 1 as commander of the U.S. 7th Fleet. . . . F. Trowbridge vom Bauer of Washington was appointed Navy Gen. Counsel Dec. 11. . . . Col. Mary J. Shelly's retirement as director of Women in the Air Force (WAF) effective about Jan. 15 was announced by the AF Dec. 19. She was to resume as assistant to the president of Bennington (Vt.) College. . . . Maj. Gen. William F. Dean's appointment to succeed Maj. Gen. Frank H. Partridge as 6th Army commander in San Francisco was announced Nov. 20 (effective Jan. 1).<sup>20</sup> . . . Cameras believed capable of photographing "flying saucers" were revealed by the AF Dec. 1 to have been set up at air bases in 33 states.<sup>21</sup>

### Britons Get 2d Contract

English Electric Export & Trading Co., Ltd., was awarded a contract to supply the last 2 generators for Columbia River's McNary Dam, the Army announced Dec. 15. The British firm, whose \$3,651,476 bid was less than 25% lower than that of the lowest American bidder (Gen. Electric's \$4,292,701), agreed to pay the \$433,000 duty and did not stipulate, as all 4 American bidders had done, that 20% might be added for later increases in labor or material costs. The same English company was awarded a controversial contract for a Chief Joseph Dam transformer in June.<sup>22</sup>

## GENERAL

### Welfare Fund Probes

Insurance agencies controlled by labor bosses milked some \$250,000 from welfare funds of 12 AFL unions in 5 years, according to evidence turned up at a 2-day state hearing in New York Dec. 15-16. The inquiry was touched off by the murder Aug. 28

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of Thomas F. Lewis, pres. of Local 32-E, AFL Bldg. Service Employees, & labor boss of Yonkers Raceway.

It was brought out that Lewis had sparked the founding in 1947 of Alcor Agency, Inc., which was replaced by Welfare Services Agency, Inc. These agencies were accused of kick-backs, excessive fees & the loading of payrolls with relatives of union officials who did no work.

According to the evidence:

Alphonse C. Corcillo, nominal head of the agencies, received \$18,963.69 from American Progressive Health Insurance Co. Nov. 1948-Apr. 1952, entered only half of it in the agency books. His father, Carmine Corcillo, got \$10,000 a year as administrator of Local 32-E's welfare fund although the son's agency took a 15% fee for the same job.

Lewis' wife held Lewis' agency stock and served as a non-working officer of the agencies under her maiden name (Pauline Bender). She drew \$66,035.40 from the agencies. Joseph J. Delaney, international vice pres. of the AFL Operating Engineers & successor to jailed labor extortionist Joseph E. Fay as the union's eastern district chief, received \$13,650 from Welfare Services as a "labor consultant." Delaney's assistant, Richard E. Nolan, got an additional \$9,100. Neither performed any services for the money.

Union leaders who admitted "cashing" checks for Corcillo were Pres. Julius Press of Local 29, AFL Bartenders, Pres. Joseph DiBucci of Local 178, AFL Hotel, Restaurant & Beverage Dispensers, & Business Mgr. Americo Jannaconi of Local 60, AFL Hod Carriers & Common Laborers. They denied keeping the money, insisting that they gave it to Corcillo.

Joseph Pizzo, Mayor Vincent R. Impellitteri's former Bronx campaign manager, helped organize Alcor in 1947 but was "reorganized" out of it when he assailed Corcillo's handling of agency money. Pizzo got \$40,000 to settle his claims against the agency 3 hours before Lewis was murdered.<sup>1</sup>

A New York grand jury was revealed Dec. 18 to be investigating allegations of fee-splitting by the Cardinal Insurance Agency & officials of unions controlled by ex-convicts. John De Feo, 25, secy.-treasurer & co-owner of the agency, was charged with contempt for allegedly "evasive" answers to question about how he spent \$100,000 a year to "entertain" labor leaders.

De Feo & his co-owner, William Martoccia, 33, built the agency's great income up from \$75,000 in fiscal 1951 to \$295,000 in fiscal 1953. Among unions whose welfare funds they handled: Local 649, AFL United Auto Workers, headed by ex-convict John Dioguardi (alias John Dio); Local 27, AFL Teamsters, headed by Joseph Parisi, whose long criminal record included charges of labor extortion in association with Louis (Lepke) Buchalter & Charles (Lucky) Luciano; Local 1115, CIO Restaurant & Luncheonette Workers, headed by Michael Werner (alias Morris Lipshitz), who also had a police record.

Witnesses told a House Labor subcommittee in Detroit Nov. 24 that 2 Michigan AFL Teamsters leaders—James Hoffa & Bert Brennan—forced union members to end a car haulaway strike in Flint in 1948, then formed a new haulaway agency which paid their wives \$65,000 in dividends in less than 3 years. Allen Dorfman, whose Union Insurance Agency of Chicago handled Teamster welfare funds, was threatened with a contempt citation for refusing to answer questions about \$100,000 in checks he indorsed.<sup>2</sup>

## Race Relations

Oak Ridge, Tenn. Town Council (advisory to the Federal Govt., which owns & operates the town) asked in a resolution passed Dec. 21 that segregation be abolished in Oak Ridge schools.<sup>3</sup> . . . CIO Packinghouse

Workers Union announced Nov. 2 a goal of ending racial discrimination in plants where its members were employed by December 1954.<sup>4</sup> . . . Pres. Eisenhower announced Nov. 11 that "the Navy's policy of non-segregation is completely effective." Navy Secy. Robert B. Anderson said segregation of Navy civilian employees existed only at the Naval Shipyard at Charleston, S. C. in a building not on federal property.<sup>5</sup>

Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith reported Dec. 17 that 450 colleges had removed questions of race, nationality & religion from student application blanks the past 4 years.<sup>6</sup> . . . Drs. Orville Ballard & Grace M. James, believed to be the first Negro faculty members of a white medical school in the South, became clinical instructors Dec. 16 at the U. of Louisville.<sup>7</sup> . . . C. L. Parker, Grand Dragon of the Ku-Klux Klan in Florida, said Oct. 12 the organization would discard secret robes & ritual and open its ranks to "all races, creeds or colors" on a segregated basis.<sup>8</sup>

## Politics

Mass. State Treas. Foster Furcolo, in a keynote speech to the state convention of Americans for Democratic Action in Boston Dec. 12, urged the ADA to disband because it was "weakening or defeating Democratic candidates by supporting them."<sup>9</sup> . . . Gov. Thomas E. Dewey of New York said at a Republican dinner in Hartford, Conn. Dec. 16 that Eisenhower Admin. officials had performed a "solemn duty of government" in publicizing the Harry Dexter White case. Dewey charged the former Truman Admin. with "bungling the country into war" in Korea and lacking "courage or the capacity either to win the war or to win a truce." The governor said Pres. Eisenhower had "forced a truce in Korea," strengthened U.S. defenses while cutting costs, curbed inflation & taxes, "cleansed the Govt." of hundreds of security risks while maintaining "scrupulous care for the rights of every individual."<sup>10</sup> . . . Ex-Amb.-to-Canada Stanley Woodward was elected treasurer of the Democratic Natl. Com. in Philadelphia Dec. 12.<sup>11</sup> . . . Natl. Citizens-for-Eisenhower Congressional Com., successor to the Natl. Citizens Com. for Eisenhower-Nixon, announced in Washington Dec. 18 it would campaign for pro-Eisenhower Republican Congressional candidates in 80 to 90 marginal districts in 1954. Officers of the new committee: James Murphy of California, chairman; William R. Haley, secretary.<sup>12</sup>

## Communism

Igor Gouzenko changed his mind again and agreed to be interviewed by representatives of the U.S. Senate Internal Security Subcom. (announced by Canadian Justice Min. Stuart S. Garson Dec. 10).<sup>13</sup> . . . Lt. Col. Ismael Akhmedov Ege, 49, former Soviet Army intelligence officer (now a Turkish citizen), told the Senate subcommittee in New York Oct. 28 that 20 to 25 Red spy networks might be operating in the U.S. "now." . . .

William O'Dell Nowell, 49, ex-Communist & Immigration Service consultant, testified in Detroit Nov. 19, at the trial of 6 Michigan Communist leaders, that U.S. CP leaders were taught in Moscow to kidnap the U.S. President & Cabinet members as hostages in case of revolution. Berry Cody, 56 revealed at the trial Dec. 9 that he had been an FBI undercover man in the CP for almost 10 years.<sup>14</sup>

Harry Dexter White, late ex-Asst. Treasury Secy., was described Dec. 15 as "a notorious Communist agent" who helped Russia get plates with which it printed millions of dollars in German occupation currency later redeemed by the U.S. The report was filed by Sen. Karl E. Mundt (R., S.D.) as a one-member task force of the McCarthy Investigations Subcom.<sup>15</sup> . . . Harold Worden Mosher, 27, revealed himself before the Subversive Activities Control Board Dec. 11 as an FBI undercover man in the CP since 1947. Testifying at hearings to force the Labor Youth League to register as a Red front, he charged that the league was started on CP orders.<sup>16</sup> . . . Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy (R., Wis.) charged in New York Nov. 3 that Abraham Brothman, 39, released after serving a 2-yr. term for obstructing justice in the atomic spy case, was working for the Techniflex Corp., "a radar plant" at Port Jervis, N.J. Brothman & Techniflex Pres. Norman Gaboriault testified before McCarthy in secret Nov. 4. McCarthy said Brothman invoked the 5th Amend. to refuse to answer most questions.<sup>17</sup>

Hugh Bryson, pres. of the Marine Cooks & Stewards Union, had a perjury indictment dismissed in Fed. Dist. Court in San Francisco Nov. 25 to clear the way for his trial on a perjury indictment in Washington.<sup>18</sup> . . . United Electrical Workers Union leaders who refused in Pittsburgh Nov. 10 to tell the Senate Internal Security Subcom. whether they were CP members (they invoked the 5th Amend.): Stanley Loney (ex-pres. of District 6), Harold K. Briney (Local 610 pres.), Robt. Kirkwood, Thos. J. Quinn, Thos. E. Flanagan. Witnesses testified Nov. 12 that Alan McNeil, John Nelson (Local 506 pres.) & Thos. Fitzpatrick (ex-Dist. 6 pres.) were Communists. Rep. Charles J. Kersten (R., Wis.) made public Nov. 25 a list of 118 defense plants which he said had Govt. contracts totaling at least \$500,000 each and which were "penetrated by the Communist-dominated" UE. They included Allis-Chalmers, Gen. Electric & Westinghouse Electric plants.<sup>19</sup>

5th Amend. was invoked before a House Un-American Activities subcommittee in Los Angeles Dec. 16 (to avoid answering questions on CP ties) by: Joan LaCour, exec. secy. of Television Writers of America; Jerry Fielding, music composer & arranger.<sup>20</sup> . . . American Legion post in New Rochelle, N.Y. urged the

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Guidance Center of New Rochelle, Inc. Nov. 27 to suspend Dr. Goodwin Barbour Watson as a part-time researcher "until & unless he can prove the accusations against him are wrong." Watson, Teachers College (Columbia U.) education professor, was charged with "championing major & minor objectives of the Communist conspiracy" but not called a Red. A Guidance Center committee had reported Mar. 4, after investigating, that the attack "is unjustified and any implication of . . . disloyalty . . . unfounded."<sup>1</sup> . . .

**Prof. Maurice Halperin**, 47 was suspended by Boston U. Nov. 18 after his name appeared as an alleged spy link in the Harry Dexter White case. The university had censured him in June for invoking the 5th Amend. during March hearings of the Senate Internal Security Subcom.<sup>2</sup>

**Shaftsbury, Vt.** was reported Oct. 28 to have removed from its schools an official state history (*Vermont, a History of the Green Mountain State*, by Edmund Fuller), written by special commission of the State Board of Education, because it was called "subversive." Doris Bahan, chairman of the school board which voted unanimously to remove the book, said she had not read it, did not think the other 2 members had. . . . **Summit (N.J.)** Jr. High School was revealed Nov. 22 to have removed the phrase "a future citizen of the world" from its school pledge because the local Veterans of Forgn. Wars post objected.

**New York City** authorities announced Dec. 10 that all persons appointed in 18 "security agencies" would be required to answer loyalty questionnaires. . . . **Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas** denounced "the witch hunt & the merchants of hate" before the Friends (Quakers) Com. on Natl. Legislation in Philadelphia Nov. 24. He assailed the "growing underground of [anonymous] informers," said that "men are adjudged on the whispered accusations of faceless people not known to the accused."<sup>3</sup> . . . **Ex-Pres. Truman** warned at a Bonds-for-Israel rally in Chicago Nov. 28 that "our freedoms are under attack," that many "remain silent for fear of being accused of sympathy with communism."<sup>4</sup>

### Corruption Investigations

**Sen. John J. Williams (R., Del.)** reported Nov. 21 that 380 Internal Revenue Bureau employees were fired or permitted to resign and 214 were indicted as a result of a 3-yr. Congressional campaign against corruption in the bureau. (A House Ways & Means Subcom. recommended Nov. 30 that the Internal Revenue Service be made independent of the Treasury Dept. except for rulings on tax policy to protect it from "political meddling." The Service announced Nov. 26 that Garland H. Williams had resigned in August as head of its Tax Frauds Investigations Division after "discrepancies" were found in his personal tax returns.)<sup>5</sup>

**Indicted** by a federal grand jury in Washington Nov. 16: **Herbert A. Bergson**, 44, Asst. Atty. General in

the Truman Admin., charged with violating the "conflict of interests" law by handling anti-trust cases for Carborundum and Minnesota Mining & Mfg. less than 2 years after he had handled Govt. actions against them; **Warren L. Stevenson**, 53, charged with perjury in his testimony before a House Armed Services Subcom. about his role in getting a Navy contract for Century Industries Co. of Burbank, Calif.<sup>6</sup> **Sidney S. Kellam**, campaign manager for the Byrd Democratic organization in Virginia, was indicted by a federal grand jury in Richmond Oct. 14 on charges of evading income taxes. . . . **Joseph H. Rosenbaum**, Washington attorney, was acquitted in federal court in Washington Nov. 20 of perjury before a Senatorial investigation of the RFC.<sup>7</sup>

### Roundup

**Hawaiian statehood** was indorsed Dec. 21 by Sen. Russell E. Long (D., La.). He & other Democrats, together with Sen. George W. Malone (R., Nev.), had blocked the Hawaiian bill in the Senate Interior Com. by demanding that the measure provide also for Alaskan statehood. Shift of Long's vote, it was predicted, would clear the way for Congressional approval of Hawaiian statehood.<sup>8</sup> . . . **Ex-Social Security Comm. Arthur J. Altmeyer**, testifying before a House Ways & Means Subcom. Nov. 27, said it was "inconceivable" that Congress would exercise its right to reduce retirement benefits earned under the Social Security system. Altmeyer accused Subcom. Chrmn. Carl Curtis (R., Neb.) & counsel Robert Winn of undermining public confidence in the system with their inquiry. Curtis & Winn accused Democrats of partisan harassment of their efforts to "get some facts" about Social Security operations.<sup>9</sup> . . . Disabled men & women who got self-sustaining jobs in 1952 as a result of Govt. vocational training totaled 63,000, John H. Lasher, Chicago director of the U.S. Office of Vocational Rehabilitation, told the American Vocational Assn. convention in Chicago Nov. 25. He said their income taxes would repay in 2½ yrs. the \$22,100,000 cost of their rehabilitation. Earnings of the group increased from \$17,300,000 to \$115,400,000 a year due to their training, Lasher reported.<sup>10</sup>

**33 Navajo Indians** of the Montezuma Creek area in Utah won a \$100,000 federal court judgment in Salt Lake City Nov. 21 for 150 horses & burros killed by Federal rangeland officers. The officers had seized the stock on grounds that the Indians were encroaching on land set aside for white men.<sup>11</sup> . . . **Govt. expenditures** (federal, state, county & local) in the U.S. in the fiscal year ended June 30, 1952 totaled \$101.5 billion (U.S. Census Bureau report Nov. 1). Federal expenditures: \$70.6 billion. Per capita cost of government at all levels: \$646.<sup>12</sup> . . . **Maj. Gen. Kenneth D. Nichols** replaced **Marion W. Boyer** Nov. 1 as Atomic Energy Comm. general manager. Nichols, chief of the

Army Research & Development Program, retired from service to accept the post. Boyer resumed as vice pres. of Standard Oil (N.J.).<sup>13</sup>

**Donald A. Williams** was appointed Soil Conservation Service Administrator by Agri. Secy. Benson Nov. 27.<sup>14</sup> . . . **State Sen. Arthur W. Wicks** resigned Nov. 18 as N.Y. Senate Majority Leader & Temporary President and Acting Lieutenant Governor. He quit the Senate offices after the Senate decided not to act on Gov. Dewey's demand for his ouster.<sup>15</sup> . . . **Florida Acting Gov. C. E. Johns** suspended the 5-member State Road Board & Hotel Comm. **Mack Humphrey** Dec. 11 on charges that they wasted state money, which they denied. . . . **Cincinnati City Mgr. W. R. Kellogg**, 69, resigned effective Dec. 31 after 10 years in office.

### FOREIGN

**Germany.** West German budget for 1954 approved by the Bundesrat (upper house) in Bonn Dec. 18: 27.1 billion Deutsche marks (\$6,452,000,000).<sup>16</sup> . . . U.S. High Comm. **James B. Conant** Dec. 14 signed 2 laws which limited jurisdiction of U.S. courts in Germany after Jan. 1 to cases pending on Jan. 1.<sup>17</sup> . . . Chrmn. **Joseph R. McCarthy (R., Wis.)** of the U.S. Senate Investigations Subcom. made public Dec. 11 a charge that 125 German Communists had gone to the U.S., acquired U.S. citizenship and then returned to Germany for jobs in the U.S. High Comm.'s office. McCarthy said the information came from **Earl J. Carroll**, California attorney who aided Judge **William L. Clark** in his attempt to keep his job as Chief Justice of U.S. courts in Germany.<sup>20</sup>

Arrival of the year's 300,000th refugee from East Germany was reported in West Berlin Dec. 9.<sup>21</sup> . . . East German production goals for 1954-55 announced Dec. 19 promised increased supplies of shoes, autos & other consumer goods.<sup>22</sup> . . . Appointment of **Fritz Macher**, 31, as East German Labor Minister was announced Dec. 9.<sup>23</sup> . . . The East German Govt. denied Dec. 15 a report in the West that Field Marshal **Friedrich von Paulus** would be given a military assignment.<sup>24</sup>

**Soviet Union.** Moscow radio announced Dec. 21 the reappointment of these 5 Deputy Premiers who had lost this rank in the Soviet Govt. shakeup following Stalin's death: State Planning Chrmn. **M. Z. Saburov**, Electric Power Min. **Mikhail G. Perukhin**, Metallurgical Industry Min. **Ivan F. Tevosyan**, Manufactured Goods Min. **Alexei N. Kosygin** and Medium Machinery Min. **V. A. Malyshev** (reputed successor to **L. B. Beria** as head of the Soviet atomic energy program). The AP said Dec. 19 that Moscow *Pravda* had revealed the assignment of **Averkiya Aristov** to a

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high Govt. post in the Khabarovsk area of the Far East. He had been dropped as a CP Central Com. secretary after Stalin's death. Dismissal of V. M. Adrianov as CP leader in the Leningrad area was announced by Tass Nov. 28. S. A. Toymasian's replacement of G. A. Arutunov, a Beria man, as Armenian CP first secy. was disclosed Dec. 9.<sup>1</sup> . . . The Soviet Govt. Dec. 2 abolished a 1947 decree forbidding Soviet citizens to marry foreigners.<sup>2</sup> . . . Andrei Y. Vishinsky received the Order of Lenin Dec. 9.<sup>3</sup>

**Communist China.** The AP reported Dec. 21 that free-world exports to Red China dropped from a \$27,100,000 monthly average in Jan.-June to \$18,500,000 in July & \$19,800,000 in August.<sup>4</sup> Japan's Kyodo news agency said Dec. 5 that Japan exported \$1,596,000 worth of goods to Red China & imported \$1,332,400 worth in November—9 times the average for the previous 5 months.<sup>5</sup> The West German economic newspaper *Handelsblatt* reported Dec. 14 that West German exports to Red China rose from \$1,100,000 in Jan.-Sept. 1952 to \$18,100,000 in the 1953 period whereas imports from Red China rose from \$10,800,000 to \$24,100,000. (West German trade with all Red countries rose from \$100,500,000 to \$144,190,000 in the same period.)<sup>6</sup> . . . Peiping radio announced Dec. 20 that a 5-county "Tibetan Autonomous Govt." had been formed in the Hainan region of Western China's Tsinghai Province under the "leadership" of Red China's Communist Party & Govt. Tandoor, a Tibetan (70% of the 100,000 inhabitants of the area were said to be Tibetan), was elected chairman of the new Govt. . . . Natl. China reported Nov. 22 that Russia had given Red China 4 2,000-ton destroyer escorts & 7 gunboats & minesweepers in the past 4 weeks.<sup>7</sup> . . . Indian Prime Min. Jawaharlal Nehru announced Dec. 8 that India had closed its consulate general in Sinkiang Province after Red China barred foreign missions there.

**Japan.** The Maritime Safety Board began arming patrol boats Dec. 15 because Red Chinese ships fired on a Japanese patrol boat Dec. 14.<sup>8</sup> Natl. Safety Board Dir. Gen. Tokutaro Kimura reported Nov. 28 that Communist Chinese gunboats had captured 130 Japanese fishing boats in recent months.<sup>9</sup> . . . Police officials disclosed Nov. 29 that the Communist Party had suspended or expelled more than 1,000 members in a purge in the past 3 months.<sup>10</sup> . . . Tokyo, world's 3d largest city, had a population of 7,469,538 Nov. 1 (reported by Kyodo Dec. 19).

**Tibet.** Indian Prime Min. Jawaharlal Nehru reported Dec. 24 that Red China had withdrawn many troops from Tibet because of food shortages. (He expressed doubt at reports that 60,000 to 100,000 Communist Chinese troops had been massed on the 2,000-mile Indian-Tibetan border.)<sup>11</sup> . . . The *Times of India* said Nov. 25 that Red China had banned Tibet's anti-Communist People's Party, its only political party. The *N.Y. Times*, however, reported Dec. 2 that the People's Party had defied the Reds by making its first public appearance in Lhasa since China occupied Tibet and that the Dalai Lama had defied China by refusing to allow its Red flag to be flown over the Potala Palace.<sup>12</sup>

**Burma.** Airlift of Natl. Chinese guerrillas from Burma to Formosa halted Dec. 9 after 2,238 were transported.<sup>13</sup> . . . The War Office Nov. 19 announced capture of the Communist rebel hq. on the Irrawaddy River delta 100 miles west of Rangoon. Govt. forces reoccupied the rebel stronghold of Mawchi where Reds had held British-owned tungsten mines since 1949.<sup>14</sup>

**Intl. Court of Justice** ruled unanimously Nov. 17 that the Minquiers & Ecrehou Islands in the English Channel belonged to Britain. England & France submitted their dispute over the islands to the court in 1950. . . . **World Veterans Fed.**, in a convention in The Hague Nov. 16-19, admitted to

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## APPOINTMENTS & ELECTIONS

| Organization                                                                        | Executive                                      | Post              | Date     |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|-------------------|----------|
| Anderson, Clayton & Co.                                                             | Lamar Fleming Jr.                              | Chrmn.*           | Nov. 9   |
|                                                                                     | Harmon Whittington                             | Pres.             | Nov. 9   |
| American Academy for Cerebral Palsy                                                 | Dr. Lenox D. Baker, Duke U. orthopedic surgeon | Pres.-elect.      | Nov. 15  |
| Amer. Bakers Assn.                                                                  | Lewis G. Graeves                               | Chrmn.            | Oct. 26  |
| Amer. Enka Corp.                                                                    | Wm. Gage Brady Jr.                             | Chrmn.            | Dec. 14  |
| Amer. Gas Assn.                                                                     | Earl H. Eacker, Boston                         | Pres.             | Oct. 26  |
| Amer. Hardware Mfrs. Assn.                                                          | R. H. Coleman                                  | Pres.             | Oct. 13  |
| Amer. Hotel Assn.                                                                   | Albert Pick Jr., Chicago                       | Pres.             | Oct. 26  |
| Amer. Psychological Assn.                                                           | Dr. E. Lowell, U. of Mich.                     | Pres.-elect.      | Aug. 29  |
| Amer. Radiator & Standard Sanitary Corp.                                            | Theo. E. Mueller                               | Chrmn.*           | Oct. 26  |
|                                                                                     | Jos. A. Grazier                                | Pres.             | Oct. 26  |
| Amer. Red Cross                                                                     | E. Roland Harriman                             | Chrmn.*           | Nov. 16  |
|                                                                                     | Ellsworth Bunker                               | Pres.†            | Nov. 16  |
| Amer. Society of Adlerian Psychology                                                | Dr. Lydia Sicher, Los Angeles                  | Pres.             | May 9    |
| Associated Universities, Inc.                                                       | Dr. Theo. P. Wright                            | Chrmn.            | Oct. 18  |
| Bates Mfg. Co.                                                                      | Herman D. Ruhm Jr.                             | Chrmn.†           | Dec. 5   |
| Cincinnati Post                                                                     | Dick Thornburg, 49                             | Editor            | Sept. 17 |
| Controllers Inst. of Amer. Council for the Advancement of Secondary Education, Inc. | Geo. W. Schwarz                                | Pres.             | Sept. 28 |
|                                                                                     | Dr. Thos. H. Briggs of Teachers Coll.          | Chrmn.            | Oct. 12  |
| Council on Foreign Relations                                                        | John J. McCloy                                 | Chrmn.            | Nov. 8   |
| Daughters of the Amer. Revolution                                                   | Revo-Gertrude S. Carraway, New Berne, N.C.     | Pres.-gen-eral    | Apr. 24  |
| Family Service Assn. of Amer. Flour Mills of Amer., Inc.                            | Sol Morton Isaac                               | Pres.             | July 11  |
|                                                                                     | A. B. Ewing                                    | Pres.             | Oct. 26  |
| Gruen Watch Co.                                                                     | Morris Edwards                                 | Pres.             | Nov. 19  |
| Inland Daily Press Assn.                                                            | Byron C. Vedder                                | Pres.             | Oct. 5   |
| Intl. Congress of Surgeons                                                          | Dr. Everts Graham (U.S.)                       | Pres.             | Sept. 22 |
| Intl. Fed. of Agriculture Producers                                                 | Allan B. Kline of Vinton, Ia.                  | Pres.             | June 13  |
| Long Island U. (Brooklyn)                                                           | Vice Adm. Richard L. Connolly, 62              | Pres.             | Oct. 9   |
| Manhattan College (N.Y.)                                                            | Brother Augustine Philip                       | Pres.             | Aug. 30  |
| McCann-Erickson Corp.                                                               | Frank White                                    | Chrmn.            | Dec. 22  |
|                                                                                     | Geo. Giese                                     | Pres.             | Dec. 22  |
| Mercast, Inc.                                                                       | Adm. Alan G. Kirk                              | Chrmn.            | Dec. 15  |
| Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator                                                     | Harold W. Sweatt, 62                           | Chrmn.*           | Dec. 1   |
| Jator                                                                               | Paul B. Wishart, 55                            | Pres.             | Dec. 1   |
| John Morrell & Co. (Chicago)                                                        | W. W. McCallum                                 | Pres.             | Dec. 3   |
| Natl. Electrical Mfrs. Assn.                                                        | J. H. Jewell                                   | Pres.             | Nov. 11  |
| Natl. Fndtn. for Brotherhood, Inc.                                                  | Edw. R. Dudley                                 | Pres.             | Aug. 30  |
| Natl. Fndtn. for Infantile Paralysis                                                | Dr. H. W. Kumm                                 | Dir.              | Sept. 1  |
|                                                                                     |                                                | Medical Officer\$ | June 1   |
| Natl. Leprosarium, Carville, La.                                                    | Dr. E. M. Gordon                               | Pres.             | Nov. 9   |
| Natl. Municipal League                                                              | Dr. Geo. D. Gallup                             | Pres.             | Nov. 9   |
| Natl. Newspaper Pblshrs. Assn.                                                      | Carl Murphy of Afro-American Newspapers        | Pres.             | June 20  |
| Natl. Phoenix Industries, Inc. and Cantrell & Cochran Corp.                         | Gen. J. A. Van Fleet                           | Dir.              | Oct. 29  |
| New York Clearing House Assn.                                                       | N. Baxter Jackson, Chemical B. & T.            | Pres.             | Oct. 6   |
| New York Herald Tribune                                                             | Mrs. Ogden Reid                                | Chrmn.            | May 14   |
|                                                                                     | Whitelaw Reid, Ed.                             | Pres.             | May 14   |
| Pan-American Medical Assn.                                                          | Dr. Pedro A. Gutierrez of Venezuela            | Pres.             | Oct. 26  |
| Public Relations Soc. of Amer.                                                      | Frederick Bowes Jr.                            | Pres.             | Nov. 16  |
| RKO Theatres Corp.                                                                  | Albert A. List                                 | Chrmn.            | Sept. 12 |
| Rockefeller Inst. for Medical Research                                              | David Rockefeller                              | Chrmn.*           | June 23  |
|                                                                                     | Dr. Detlev W. Bronk                            | Pres.             | June 23  |
| A. G. Spalding & Bros., Inc.                                                        | Walter B. Gerould                              | Pres.*            | Sept. 24 |
| United Carbon Co.                                                                   | Thorne F. Koblegard                            | Pres.             | Dec. 17  |
| United Daughters of the Confederacy                                                 | Con-Mrs. Belmont Dennis of Covington, Ga.      | Pres.-gen-eral    | Nov. 11  |
| U.S. Conf. of Mayors                                                                | Elmer E. Robinson, San Francisco               | Pres.             | Nov. 13  |
| U. of Scranton (Pa.)                                                                | Rev. John Jos. Long, S.J.                      | Pres.             | Aug. 15  |
| Western Electric Co.                                                                | Stanley Bracken                                | Chrmn.*           | Nov. 10  |
|                                                                                     | Frederick R. Kappel                            | Pres.             | Nov. 10  |

\*Was pres. †At \$30,000 a yr., making post full-time, paid one for first time ‡Continued also as pres. \$Succeeded Dr. Frederick A. Johansen, who retired after 29 yrs. at Carville ¶Resigned as Johns Hopkins U. pres. ¶Succeeded Wm. T. Brown, who died of heart ailment at 57 in Springfield, Mass., Aug. 23

its membership the German Natl. Fed. of Military Disabled & War Invalids. The WVF passed resolutions for world disarmament, unification of Germany & Europe, return of World War II POWs still detained. . . . **Australia** reported Dec. 3 the discovery of oil near Exmouth Gulf 700 mi. north of Perth and in the Oriono district of western New Guinea. . . . **British** Natl. Union of Railwaymen called off plans for a nationwide strike Dec. 16 when promised a 7-shilling (98¢) weekly raise.<sup>15</sup> Lt. Gen. Sir Frederick Morgan, 59, was named Dec. 22 to head Britain's new Atom Admin.<sup>16</sup> . . . **Bulgaria**, according to reports from Vienna, had canceled a law imposing prison terms on workers who left their

jobs without prior permission (Nov. 28) and reduced from death to 5-10-yr. imprisonment the penalty for leaving the country without permission (Dec. 9).<sup>17</sup> . . . **Canada** reported Nov. 17 these crop totals for 1953 (in bushels): wheat 613,965,000 (2d largest on record), oats 405,580,000, barley 262,065,000.<sup>18</sup> . . . **French** Natl. Assembly approved Dec. 14 a 1954 budget of 3.7 trillion francs (\$10.5 billion). The defense budget was \$3.62 billion (13% below this year's).<sup>19</sup> . . . **Adm. Marie-Daniel Berenger**, French naval commander in Indo-China during World War II, was acquitted by a Navy court in Paris Dec. 10 of collaboration with Japan.